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CLOWNTOWN ARRIVES IN PARK



Andover children are eagerly awaiting ClownTown, an annual carnival. Nicholas Graham, 6, Miles Branscombe, 6, Kate Aycock, 4, and Andrew Garcia, 4, all children of ClownTown organizers, jump out of a van and into the Park. ClownTown will officially arrive in the Park at the corner of Bartlet and Chestnut streets tomorrow, Friday, May 14. See page 19.

Marriage Monday? Calls made to town

By Ben Hellman

Same-sex marriages can be legally performed this Monday, May 17, but no Andover couple has made an appointment yet with the town clerk for a license. Still, Town Clerk Randy Hanson said her office has received several calls — fewer than 20 — from people interested in same-sex marriage.

Andover Justice of the Peace Rosalie Bialy has not received any calls or queries from same-sex couples, but she will be happy to preside over such weddings if she does get requests, she said. "I'm kind of glad the same-sex couples are being offered the same opportunities you and I have. Many of these couples are already living together or have children. It's kind of refreshing that someone wants to make it legal," said Bialy.

Hanson said from the number of calls her office has received, she does not expect to need to prepare for an unusual number of marriage-licensing requests this Monday. "I expect people to come in, but I don't know how many," she said.

Hanson attended a training

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SHIPPING OUT

Marine, family prepare for Iraq War's uncertainty

By Ben Hellman

As Andover Police Officer Patrick Robb prepares for deployment to Iraq, the large Robb family is pulling together to show support and to remain strong while he is gone. Robb left for training yesterday, Wednesday night, and expects to spend the summer in the US before heading to the Sunni Triangle. He will be gone for at least one year.

Robb, 35, of Lawrence, grew up in Andover and graduated from Andover High School. He is a husband, stepfather and, through stepchildren, recently became a grandfather. Robb is the son of Senior Center Task Force member Don Robb and former Pumps Pond coordinator and swim instructor Vicky Robb of 36 York St. He is the brother of five siblings ranging in age from 30 to 40. All went to school in Andover, got their varsity letters in swimming and graduated from AHS.

Robb is well aware of the risks he will face and has made peace with the possibility of dying. He gave his sister, Kate (Robb) Currie, power of attorney and has made his final arrangements with her in case he does not return. Robb said his greater fear is that he could



Patrick Robb and his wife, Teri, are preparing for Robb's deployment to Iraq's Sunni Triangle. Robb left for training yesterday, and will ship out to Iraq this fall.

come back badly injured and not be able to return to work as an Andover police officer.

"I try not to think about it much. My wife knows, my family knows; I just might not

be coming back," said Robb.

Robb said his only real concerns are his wife and family at home. He found out this week he would take a cut in pay that

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St. Robert's considered for closing

Parishioners hoping for best

By Andrea Gregory

A baby was baptized in the rear of St. Robert Bellarmine Church as part of the 11 a.m. Mass last Sunday. Whether that child will be able to grow up in the parish is in the hands of the Boston Archdiocese.

St. Robert Bellarmine Church on Haggetts Pond Road has been added to the list of what is now 137 churches being considered for closing by the Archdiocese.

Rev. Richard Conway shared this news with his parishioners Sunday, May 9. He dedicated his homily at the 11 a.m. Mass to the news. Conway informed parishioners that while it is possible the church's doors will close, no definite decision has been made yet.

The fate of St. Robert's will be delivered on May 25, when every parish will receive a letter with one of three messages, he said. Some parishes will be told when and how they should close. Others will be informed they can stay open and continue operating as they have been. Finally, still other churches will be designated "welcoming" churches and prepare to absorb neighboring parishes' displaced Catholics. Conway told his parishioners to pray for good news, but also asked them to be understanding of God's plan.

"I urge you to pray, and I mean that. I'm not just throwing prayer at you," he said. "We need to work together. We need to pray together that this is what God wants."

He said this is one of the hardest decisions Archbishop Sean O'Malley will make.

The news that the parish could close must have surprised some members of the parish, because the congregation has

been growing in size. John Sudol, a member of a vision-statement committee for St. Robert's, has worked for the past 18 months drafting a vision statement about the future of the church. He expected to share this vision statement with the parish on June 5 and 6. The last time the committee met, the news of a possible closing had not been released. Sudol said he does not think the vision will change.

"We are trying to be optimistic. I think we are just going to go forward in an optimistic way," said Sudol. "Wherever we are, we need to worship somewhere."

Church closings are part of the Boston Archdiocese's plan to consolidate parishes and sell church land. Previously, 100 churches were told they might close. Conway said St. Robert's is one of 37 additional churches added to the list. He indicated St. Robert's probably was added

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Rev. Richard Conway told his parishioners no decision has been made yet.

\$55 million purchase



Gabe Ruhan, COO of NaviSite, in the company's data center at 400 Minuteman Road. Ruhan says the company is "one of the survivors in the technology sector."

NaviSite's milestone

By Andrea Gregory

NaviSite's top executives are saying its purchase of another technology company for \$55 million last Thursday is a sign the company is on the upswing again.

Surebridge, a Lexington-based application service provider, is the sixth company

NaviSite has purchased in the past two years. However, Surebridge differs from NaviSite's previous acquisitions in one significant way, said NaviSite executives — it is not "broken."

"It is the first time we've bought a profitable company," said Gabe Ruhan, chief operat-

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Neighbors fight day care

Cite traffic issue at Route 133/Greenwood intersection

By Judy Wakefield

Like many neighbors opposed to the proposed Mulberry Day Care at the intersection of Lowell Street and Greenwood Road, Joe Reilly says he is not anti-day-care center. Rather, he believes the intersection is simply too busy for another business.

"It's just not the place for it," said Reilly, a father from Cottonwood Circle who used day care when his two kids were young. "Of significant concern to neighbors is this intersection. It's already dangerous."

"It's crazy already," Ruth Galvin of Tiffany Lane agreed. "I've been on Tiffany for 12, almost 13 years, and when Interstate 93 gets busy, this is an access road for drivers. And, it's crazy."

Plans for the Mulberry Day Care were presented to zoning officials last fall by local builder Yvon Cormier's company, Y-Cee Investment Trust. The developer is looking to build a 10,000 square foot facility with some 50 parking spots. Public hearings have been held where residents have voiced their opposition. But, Y-Cee is moving ahead with the plans and its next public hearing is set for mid-

June.

Mulberry Day Care's traffic study was just submitted to the zoning office and calls for a seven-step traffic plan to ease congestion.

Widening Lowell Street (Route 133), modifying the signal at the intersection and prohibiting left turns out of the site from the Greenwood Road driveway are included in the company's traffic plan.

"Traffic will certainly be an issue if this proposal goes forward," said Steve Coyler, planning director. He is also waiting for the developer to submit a drainage study, as wetlands are nearby. He said the zoning board met on April 29 and a public hearing on the day-care center was on the agenda. But neither the traffic plan or drainage study were submitted, so the hearing was continued until June. The traffic study arrived the next day, April 30, in the zoning office.

The developer's plans were submitted by local attorney Mark Johnson, who did not return a telephone call from the *Townsmen* before deadline.

In addition to the drainage and traffic, the size of the center is also at issue. Town bylaws require day-care centers to be

3,000 square feet or less. This plan is more than three times that size, about 10,000-square-feet. The developer is applying for a variance.

Seventy neighbors signed a petition opposing the center. The petition was circulated by Reilly and he said there are no plans to ease up on their opposition.

"Even with the proposed modifications I don't think it will make any improvement that would lessen the situation. It's a dangerous intersection," he said.

Galvin added that neighbors are already bracing themselves for the expected traffic increase in the area caused by a new youth center, which will be built on Greenwood Road if the Andover Youth Foundation continues to raise the necessary money. Another nearby location, the site of the former Rolling Green Hotel on Lowell Street, is being turned into apartments and will bring more traffic to the area.

"Come for a drive at 7 a.m. along Greenwood. More often than not it's a parking lot of cars using it as an alternative to 93 South," she read from her letter to zoning officials.

"It's just not the right place for this," she said.



Rosalie J. Bialy, a justice of the peace, talks with Christine Delcore and Jeffrey Lee, a couple planning a September wedding. Bialy says she also will welcome the chance to marry same-sex couples.

Town: 20 calls on same-sex unions

MARRIAGE LICENSES

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on same-sex marriage at Tewksbury State Hospital on Wednesday morning, after *Townsmen* deadline. The training was run by the Massachusetts Department of Health, which oversees marriage licenses. Hanson said she wants to ensure her office follows proper procedure. "We're going to do whatever the state tells us to do. We just want to make sure we do it right," said Hanson.

Hanson said the marriage license forms are expected to change to reflect that couples will no longer be only brides and grooms. The new wording may become "Spouse A" and "Spouse B." "It's a lot of discussion and speculation," said Hanson.

It takes about 20 minutes to

fill out the paperwork for a license, and there is a three-day waiting period, said Hanson. A note from a doctor saying blood-test results were clear of specific diseases is necessary, but at present couples do not need to show any identification to receive a marriage license in Andover, said Hanson. She said there are no plans to change this policy. The only times the office has asked for identification is when a couple has looked too young to marry, something Hanson said has happened once or twice in 15 years.

Justice of the Peace

Bialy takes her role as justice of the peace very seriously, but marrying people also brings her joy, and she said she will treat same-sex couples the same as traditional couples. "I'm going

to give them the same respect that I would give to any couple," said Bialy. "I really enjoy weddings. I think it's such a nice time in people's lives."

Bialy said she likes to sit down with couples and make the experience as meaningful as she can, but in the end, her feelings or opinions are not important. "This is your day and I want to respect what you want. What I feel about it shouldn't enter into it. When I got married, it was my day. I try to be as compassionate as possible," said Bialy.

Bialy said her first responsibility is to follow the law. "This is not a joke. This is a very solemn institution," she said. She once received a request to marry a couple who had previously gotten married outside of the United States. The couple had not told their families and wanted Bialy to stage a wedding for them. She refused the request. "I could not pronounce them man and wife," she said. Bialy offered a vow renewal ceremony, but the couple did not want that. She eventually told them to try a different justice of the peace.

Bialy is an attorney, and does not rely on the money she makes as a justice of the peace for a living. She has been a justice of the peace since 1983. Over the years, demand for marriages has changed. Bialy said more people have turned to religious marriages in recent years. She has performed four weddings this year. One previous Valentine's Day, she married four couples. "The pendulum swings back and forth," said Bialy.

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May 23 Temple program addresses teen violence

On Sunday, May 23 from 10:30 a.m. to noon, Temple Emanuel in Andover is hosting an educational program about teen violence. This program is appropriate for parents and children of all faiths who are in sixth grade and beyond.

In a recent survey, 31 percent of teens reported that they or a friend experienced violence in a dating relationship. Additionally, it has been found that most girls, nearly 80 percent, who are physically abused continue to date their abuser. Physical or sexual violence occurs in as many as one in four teen dating relationships, with women between 16 and 24 being three times more likely to be victimized in intimate-partner relationships than women in any other age group.

"These statistics are staggering," said Rabbi Robert Goldstein. "We must learn how to identify the risk-factors that put people in dangerous situations, and we must recognize that it is everyone's responsibility to be informed about issues like teen violence. We invite all of our congregants and the community at large to attend. Educating ourselves and our children is a crucial step towards ending the cycle of violence."

The program will include a 30-minute video that shows discussions with two teens who were involved in violent relationships, a power-point presentation exploring statistics on the prevalence and consequences of teen violence, an outline of the types of crimes that fall into these categories (both physical and sexual violence), and information on restraining orders and other resources.

The Essex County District Attorney's Office is presenting the program. A question-and-answer session will follow the formal program with a distinguished panel including District Attorney Jonathan Blodgett, Deputy First Assistant District Attorney Mary-Alice Doyle, and Director of the Family Crimes and Sexual Assault Unit Kathe Tutman.

For more information or to register to attend, call Temple Emanuel at 978-470-1356 or e-mail teenviolencebreakfast@yahoo.com.

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IT MAKES THEM STOP AND THINK, "Do I really want to leave the halls and meet up with my friends with this?" There is a lot more wandering or attempted wandering going on, and we are all trying to cut down on that. It's all a matter of supervision.

— John Berube, Andover High School media specialist and the brains behind the largest hall pass in Andover High history, on why he requires students who want to leave the library to carry a suitcase as a hall pass. (Story in Townspeople, page 9)

YOU DON'T PAY \$55 MILLION for a broken business.

— Gabe Ruhan, chief operating officer of NaviSite, on the company buying Surebridge, an application service provider. Ruhan sees the purchase as a sign that NaviSite has weathered the economic storm that sunk many Internet companies. (Story, page 1)

News Calendar

Thursday, May 13

Council on Aging, Andover Senior Center, School Administration Building, first floor, 8 a.m.

Monday, May 17

Selectmen, Town Offices, third floor, 6 p.m.

Conservation Commission, Town Offices, third floor, 7:45 p.m.

Tuesday, May 18

School Committee, School Admin-

istration Building, second floor, 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, May 19

Patriotic Holiday Committee, Town Offices, third floor, 7 p.m.

Tuesday, May 25

Planning Board, Town Offices, third floor, 7:30 p.m.

School Committee, School Administration Building, second floor, 7:30 p.m.

Town Democrats

A meeting of the Andover Democratic Town Committee will be held Monday, May 17 at 7:30 p.m. at Marland Place, 15 Stevens St. All registered Democrats are invited. Call Nancy O'Connor Stolberg at 978-470-2784 for information.

Sports for Life

Many Andover residents will tackle the 19th Annual Sports for Life during the weekend of May 22-23. It includes a 40-mile bike ride up the seacoast on Saturday, May 22, and a 5-kilometer walk/run beginning at the Loop in Methuen on May 23. Proceeds benefit the William L. Lane Cancer Management Center at Caritas Holy Family Hospital and Medical Center. For more information, call 978-687-0156 Ext. 2040 or visit www.hfhsportsforlife.org.

Clarification

Last week's article in the Education section, "Loschi in limbo," stated the School Committee had turned down a request to meet with Loschi.

School Committee member Christopher Smith said that, although the committee has not met with Loschi yet, it is willing to meet with him at a future date. Smith also said he recused himself from any involvement with the issue because his daughter played for the coach.

Fireworks funding

In April, Annual Town Meeting voters approved funds that will pay for approximately 40 percent of the total expense for this annual Fourth of July fireworks, according to Jerry Silverman, the former selectman who helps raise private donations for the event.

Silverman says his goal during the next few months is to raise \$10,000 and make the 2004 fireworks display a reality. Donations by check may be made to: "Fireworks - Town of Andover, c/o Banknorth Massachusetts, 61 Main St., Andover, 01810."

Memorial Day parade

This year's Memorial Day parade will be held Monday, May 31 and will start promptly at 9:30 a.m. from the intersection of Elm and Florence streets. All civic, patriotic and fraternal groups are invited to march. People with groups marching should call John Doherty at 978-623-8218 and let him know their numbers, for planning purposes. All marchers will have a meal at the close of the observances.

Flags on vets' graves

Local veterans groups along with Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts and interested citizens will meet at 11 a.m. on Sunday, May 16 to place some 3,500 flags on the graves of Andover veterans buried in the town's 10 cemeteries. All those interested are asked to meet in the parking lot adjacent to Town Offices for the event, which typically lasts about 90 minutes. For more information, call 978-623-8218.

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POLICE LOG

ARRESTS

Wednesday, May 5 – At 3:03 p.m., Jose Olifera, 40, of 37 Cross St., Somerville, was arrested and charged with driving with a suspended license.

Thursday, May 6 – At 11:13 a.m., Ronald Gelineau, 45, of 29 Crystal St., Lowell, was arrested and charged with driving with a suspended license.

Friday, May 7 – At 7:58 a.m., Joel Ortega, 20, of 196 Bailey St., Lawrence, was arrested and charged with driving an uninsured vehicle, driving without a license and driving an unregistered vehicle.

At 12:16 p.m., Shannon Zukas, 21, 15 Memorial Circle, was arrested and charged on a warrant with operating after suspension of license.

At 7:47 p.m., Loretta Chick, 35, of 48 Canal St., Nashua, N.H., was arrested and charged with possession of cocaine.

At 8:07 p.m., Charles Even Jr., 38, of 1 Pratt St., Nashua, N.H., was arrested and charged with possession of cocaine.

At 8:39 p.m., Dale Evans, 36, of 28 Railroad Square, Nashua, N.H., was arrested and charged with possession of cocaine.

Sunday, May 9 – At Robert Gallagher, 34, of 25 Second St., North Andover, was arrested and charged on a warrant with driving with a suspended license.

Monday, May 10 – At 8:33 p.m., Alexander Calamonic, 28, of 13 Young Farm Road, Methuen, was arrested and charged with driving without a license.

Tuesday, May 11 – At 9:41 a.m., Louis Zervas, 77, of 1 Williams St., was arrested and charged with assault and battery on an officer, resisting arrest, disorderly conduct, refusing to produce a driver's license and failure to stop for police.

At 3:24 p.m., Luciano Vasquez, 22, of 9 Granite St., Methuen, was arrested and

charged on a warrant for motor-vehicle violations.

At 3:59 p.m., Kim Wever, 41, of 53 Newbury St., Lawrence, was arrested and charged with failure to wear a seatbelt, driving with a suspended license, driving with a revoked registration, driving an uninsured vehicle and driving an uninspected vehicle.

At 7:31 p.m., Jimmy Gomez, 25, of 2704 Kingbridge Terrace, Bronx, N.Y., was arrested and charged with speeding and driving with a suspended license.

THEFTS

Thursday, May 6 – At 9:14 a.m., a construction worker reported materials stolen on River Road.

Friday, May 7 – At 11:20 a.m., several watches were reported stolen overnight on Main Street.

Tuesday, May 11 – At 9:45 a.m., a Colonial Drive resident reported four of her tires were missing.

INCIDENTS

Wednesday, May 5 – At 7:08 p.m., there was a report of five males in the intersection of Bartlet and Chestnut streets who looked like they were about to fight. One male pulled a wooden board from the back of a red pickup truck. Further reports said the men left the area.

At 8:29 p.m., an ambulance was called for a Memorial Circle boy who was hit in the face with a stick.

Thursday, May 6 – At 11:28 a.m., two Andover High School girls were reported fighting.

At 3:36 p.m., a Dufton Road dog was impounded after allegedly biting a letter carrier when she dropped off the mail.

Friday, May 7 – At 1:30 p.m., a woodchuck reportedly got its head stuck in a chain-link fence. The animal control

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STARTED AS LEASH-LAW VIOLATION

77-year-old allegedly assaults officer

By Ben Hellman

A 77-year-old man had to be wrestled to the ground Tuesday morning after allegedly striking an Andover police officer. The incident began over a leash-law violation.

Louis Zervas, 77, of 1 Williams St., was walking with his dog at the park on Balmoral Street around 9 a.m. Zervas carried 10 to 15 feet of rope, but did not have the dog leashed, reported Animal Control Officer Wayne Nader. Nader had cited Zervas in the past for not leashing his dog and asked him for his identification so he could give him another citation.

Zervas allegedly became belligerent, cursed at Nader repeatedly and refused Nader's requests to hand over an ID, according to Nader. Zervas was not available for comment before *Townsmen* presstime.

Nader requested police backup. Officer Peter Reming came on the scene as Zervas was driving away and his patrol car was almost hit by Zervas, said a police report. Reming put on his blue lights and followed Zervas from Balmoral Street to Williams Street. Along the way, Zervas waved his hand at Reming as if to tell him to go away, reported Reming.

When Zervas arrived at his house, Reming tried to stop Zervas, but Zervas ignored him, walking away. When Reming grabbed the man's arm, Zervas allegedly turned and hit him in the chest and then in the face, breaking the officer's sunglasses. Reming wrestled the man to the ground and he was eventually taken to Lawrence District Court to face charges of assault and battery on an officer, resisting arrest, disorderly conduct, refusing to produce a driver's license and failure to stop for police.

Zervas was arraigned in court on Tuesday and will reportedly face trial in July.

First call for Gallagher: Late night TV gig

1998 Andover High grad's band Apollo Sunshine on *Carson Daly* tomorrow

By Andrea Gregory

Jesse Gallagher, a 1998 Andover graduate, is about to make his late night television debut on *Last Call with Carson Daly*.

Residents can catch lead singer Gallagher and the rest of the Apollo Sunshine gang – guitarist Sam Cohen and drummer Jeremy Black – at 1:30 a.m. on NBC tomorrow, Friday, May 14 (technically Saturday morning). They will serve as the house band, similar to the Max Weinberg 7's role on *Late Night with Conan O'Brien*.

Gallagher met up with his current bandmates during his year long stay at Berklee School of Music in Boston. But his start in music began in the Andover public schools. He was a member of the school band and orchestra.

Many younger residents might remember Gallagher from his days of performing with his high school band the Nub-Tones at Old Town Hall.

Now he is on the radio, and as of Friday, on television.

In January, new-found fame had not gone to Gallagher's head.

"We haven't made it big, whatever that means. I still feel like myself. More people recognize me," Gallagher had said. "I try to just focus as hard as I can on the music. I'm



COURTESY PHOTO

Jesse Gallagher (in foreground) will appear on *The Carson Daly Show* with his band Apollo Sunshine this weekend.

not trying to make it famous."

Youth Services director Bill Fahey remembers a younger, ambitious Gallagher, who began trying to pull bands together and put on shows in middle school and high school.

go-go dancers on platforms all around us. Oh yeah, and Snoop Dogg was a surprise guest! We almost missed our outro music cue cause we were all staring at how awesome he is. What a night. So, ya'll should watch it. We are on camera the whole show."

Navisite adds purchase of Surebridge

NAVISITE DEAL

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ing officer of NaviSite. "You don't pay \$55 million for a broken business."

NaviSite, an Andover based technology service provider with two facilities in the River Road area, has spent the past two years on a shopping spree finding cut-rate deals for bankrupt companies to expand its business family. Ruhan said NaviSite could continue to buy out more companies if appealing opportunities present themselves. But the days of bargain basement company mergers appear to be on their way out.

"There is no doubt that the economy seems to be firming up again," Ruhan said.

Ruhan was one of the original investors when Atlantic Investors bought NaviSite from Internet boom-and-bust poster-boy CMGI in 2001. At the time, an impressive staff of about 70 was keeping NaviSite afloat while other Internet companies were going under, Ruhan said. The staff made the company appealing even under the circumstances, he said.

"NaviSite had built a very good reputation. We could see the value in the people (working there)," said Ruhan.

The investors picked up other financially troubled companies along the way and incorporated them into NaviSite.

Now, it is not just "broken businesses" investors are adding to NaviSite's roster.

For instance, newly acquired Surebridge specializes in pro-

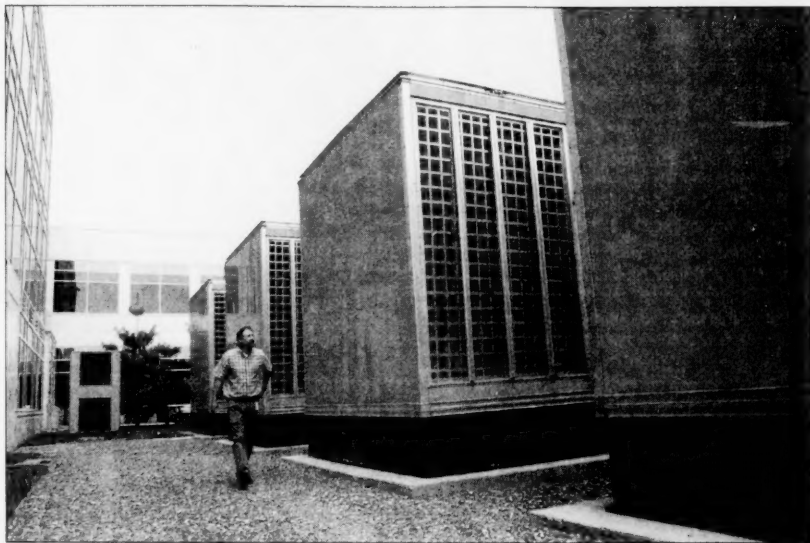


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GROWING COMPANY – Cliff Migneault, manager of data center operations, checks on one of four generators at NaviSite's Minuteman Drive address.

viding applications for human resources and customer relations that are similar to spread sheets. It manages and maintains these applications for mid-sized companies. With Surebridge under the NaviSite umbrella, NaviSite leaders said, NaviSite will expand its services to clients who already rely on NaviSite to maintain and manage their Web sites or commerce applications.

Beyond the downturn

NaviSite's top executives say it was not immune to the dot-com crash of the 1990s that wounded or sunk many tech companies, but it has made it.

"There is no doubt NaviSite is one of the survivors in the technology sector," Ruhan said. "I think the tech companies that have survived to date are not broken businesses."

During a tour of the Andover facilities, Jeff Hodnett, senior corporate communications manager, pointed out a large open room. He said it is about 17,000 square feet, meaning NaviSite has plenty of room to grow again. NaviSite has two Andover facilities and a total of 15 data centers worldwide. It owns a secure building on Minuteman Drive, where a security guard monitors the main

entrance and a swipe card and palm print match is required for access into the data center. A portion of the top floor is currently leased to another company, WSI.

Many of the Andover corporate offices are located down the street on Federal Street. Hodnett said there are more than 100 employees between the two Andover sites, and NaviSite has a total of about 380 employees at all its locations.

The Hodnett and Ruhan said NaviSite has no intentions of leaving Andover and that consolidation of the two town sites is not in the immediate future.

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INCIDENTS

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officer released the animal.

At 4:59 p.m., a Partridge Hill Road resident complained there was a cement block on her lawn that did not belong to her and she wanted it removed. An officer removed the block.

Tuesday, May 11 – At 6:27 p.m., a man down by the stream off Essex Street was reportedly swearing loudly and a caller wanted to make sure he was OK. An officer reported the man said he was approached by a 30-pound turtle and just got scared for a moment.

AUTO INCIDENTS

Wednesday, May 5 – At 5:34 p.m., an accident on Beacon Street resulted in injuries.

Thursday, May 6 – At 10:39 a.m., a resident reported a possible break and entry of his car.

Saturday, May 8 – At 11:09 p.m., a brown Dodge Durango was stolen from an Abbot Street driveway.

Monday, May 10 – At 8 a.m., a Longwood Drive resident reported her car broken into overnight.

VANDALISM

There were three reports of vandalism.

COMPILED BY BEN HELLMAN

Proper disposal of American flags

Worn, torn or discolored American flags can be brought to the veterans services office at Town Offices, 36 Bartlet St., for disposal. Please remove all wood or metal and leave the cloth part of the flag in the box in the Town Offices lobby placed there for that specific purpose. Bunting may also be dropped off. Call 978-623-8218 for more information.

Call Dig Safe

With the beginning of the spring construction season, Bay State Gas reminds all contractors and homeowners that prior to the start of any excavation project on public or private property, they must call Dig Safe to have the location of all underground utility pipes and cables marked. Project include, planting trees and shrubs, landscaping, rebuilding walls and driveways, installing swimming pools, building additions to homes, and installing sewer lines, septic systems and drains.

In Massachusetts, the Dig Safe Law requires that Dig Safe be notified at 1-888-DIG-SAFE, at least three business days (72 hours) before starting an excavation project. There are substantial fines for violation of the Dig Safe Law.



Although not all of Patrick Robb's siblings support the decision to go to war in Iraq, the Robb family says it is behind Patrick Robb and his fellow troops. They await the day when he will return home to eat his subs and play with his sisters' kids.



PHOTO BY TIM JEAN

Close-knit family reacts to a call to arms

MARINE PATRICK ROBB

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could amount to \$25,000, because the town will pay his base pay, but not the additional amount he typically makes from overtime and detail pay. Robb's wife will also have to pay \$200 a month to remain on his insurance while he is away. He will also miss watching his grandchildren's first year and playing with his nieces and nephews.

Robb's wife, Teri Robb, is dreading her husband leaving. "I hate the fact that he's going. It's what you think about every night before you go to sleep and every morning before you wake up," she said. "Everything happens for a reason and I just thank God I have him."

Father Don Robb looks on the situation grimly. "It's really tough over there. There's just too many uncertainties," he said. "I think the front lines are everywhere."

Patrick Robb is a staff sergeant for Marine Wing Support Squadron 472, detachment Bravo, stationed at Westover Air Reserve Base in Chicopee. He is a mechanic specializing in heavy vehicles. He is also responsible for a platoon of 35 to 40 Marines. The men will build and maintain helicopter rearming and refueling outposts in the desert.

Mother Vicky Robb said it is slowly dawning on her that her son is finally leaving. She said she wept watching a scene in a movie this week portraying a soldier's funeral. She knows it will only get worse. "The knot won't really tighten until September," she said. "That's when her son will head to Iraq."

Sister Abigail (Robb) Dougan said the reality hit home for her when Robb gave Currie power of attorney. "That was strange. It's just not something you think you'll do for your siblings when you're in your 30s," she said.

Dougan said the hardest part will be hearing reports

of Marines killed in combat. "You always hear 'Marines killed in action,' but you never hear the names," said Dougan. She said the family has planned to keep in touch when such reports are made to be supportive and make sure everyone knows what is going on.

Sisters Carol, Kate and Mary Robb said they believe their brother is a survivor. "Carol said (Pat's) going to be fine. He always lands on his feet," said Kate Robb.

"I just have this feeling he's going to be OK," said Carol Robb.

Robb family

Robb's weeknight custom was to stop by his family's York Street home to eat dinner and play with his sister Kate's children. He would eat a sandwich he brought from one of the local sub shops or raid the refrigerator. Then he would run upstairs to play with the kids.

Robb's sister Kate (Robb) Currie and her husband and three children live with

her parents on York Street. His other siblings live in Methuen and Haverhill, but are frequent visitors. "It's going to be terrible because it's such a close family. Not having Pat around is going to be hard, especially on holidays," said Don Robb.

Robb's mother and sisters like to point out that even though Robb is an imposing 6'3" with bulging arms and close-cropped hair, he loves children and has a soft side. "For a big burly Marine, he's incredible with the young kids," said Currie.

"You should see how adept he is at avoiding drool when he's in uniform," said Vicky Robb.

The first word Robb's mother and sisters think of when it comes to describing Robb is fearless. They also said he keeps his head in difficult situations. Vicky Robb said she would want no other person with her if she ever faced a dangerous situation. When asked to name her personal heroes, sister Mary Robb, an Andover High School teacher, said she names her brother before any famous people. Currie named her only son after her brother.

Growing up, Robb became known for always doing his own thing, even when it got him in trouble. "He was very much his own person. (He was) adventurous. By the time he was 10 or 11 he had covered every inch of Andover on his bike," said Vicky Robb.

Robb was undisciplined before joining the Marines and had troubles in school. He dropped out of Andover High School and returned in time to get his diploma with his sister Kate, who is two years younger. His father was on the School Committee when he dropped out and also when he graduated. Don Robb handed both children their diplomas.

Don Robb said Patrick was always the most rebellious of his children. He said the Marines were good for him. "He was looking for something in his life and

when he entered the Marines, he found that," he said. "He and the Marines were a good combination, and he and the police department were a good combination."

Sister Carol Robb said she was surprised that Robb joined the Marines and even more surprised when he became a police officer. "We always knew Pat would be in a police car – we just figured it would be in the back," said Carol Robb.

Family politics

A room full of Robbs is generally a room full of joking, but also a room full of strong opinions. Not every member of the family supports the war in Iraq, though the war dissenters stress they support Robb and the other troops completely.

Robb believes ridding Iraq of Saddam Hussein was a worthy cause and that an American presence is now necessary until Iraq is set on its feet again. "It may not be very soon, but eventually the country will be much better," said Robb. "I still think it's the right thing to do – I signed a contract and have a job to do," he added.

Don Robb makes no bones about his opinion: he never supported the American presence in Iraq. Robb said it was "lies, stupidity, arrogance and greed" that led the US into the war with Iraq. "I do support Pat, but I don't support the war," said Don Robb.

"Every member of our family disagrees with the war," said Currie.

"We are 100 percent behind the troops," said Mary Robb.

Dougan said regardless of how people feel about the war, Americans must support the troops. Dougan said it bothers her to see the protesters who gather in Shawsheen Square. "Whether or not you support the cause, you have to support the people," she said.

Brother Adam Robb said politics have nothing to do with it. "I just hope he comes back alive," he said.

Iraqi prison scandal

Robb said the prison scandal where Iraqi prisoners were photographed in demeaning positions makes the entire military look bad and he would not let his men do such a thing. "As a police officer in Andover, I've been taught to treat detainees in a certain way," he said.



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Patrick Robb and his wife, Teri, enjoyed their last week before Robb began training for deployment in Iraq's Sunni Triangle.

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Opinion

Vote for more

THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE SHOULD ADOPT on May 25 Debbie Silberstein's policy requiring secret session notes to give a flavor of what is discussed at those meetings.

Town officials already have succeeded in eliminating the requirement to publish the full text of the Town Meeting warrant in the local newspaper each year. Instead, the town will publish only the name of each article, which often tells little about the issue. However, residents can still pick up a copy of the warrant around town. They know when Town Meeting will take place. They can hear the discussions at Town Meeting. Town Meeting is recorded.

With the School Committee's secret meetings, the public is kept completely in the dark. The only way it can learn anything about the discussions that take place in these meetings is through the meeting minutes. The School Committee – and other committees in town – owe it to the public to provide notes that inform the public about their elected officials' views, as expressed at these meetings.

The type of sketchy notes currently kept by town committees not only keep the public out of public business, they can cost the town money. Because the town did not keep thorough notes from the 1978 Town Meeting, Andover needed the courts this year to determine how much it should pay of certain employees' health insurance costs. Town unions started a lawsuit against the town to ensure workers' coverage would not be reduced. This diverted attention from other issues, cost the town money and placed unnecessary stress on town employees, who had to worry about their future health benefits.

Meeting notes should not put the town at a disadvantage in future contract negotiations. But the public deserves thorough meeting minutes that reflect the committee members' discussions. And the town will benefit from these notes in the future.

Web question

Suitcase passes: Too much baggage?

Last week's *Townsmen* Web-site question was: Should girls get their own football league?

With the question posted on Monday, 13 people voted.

- 3, or 23 percent, said, "I think the reason there is not a league for girls is because not enough of them are playing. Instead of signing a petition, they should sign up to play and then people will know if there is a need."

- 2, or 15 percent, said, "Give the girls their own teams. We already have other girls' teams in sports such as hockey."

- 2, or 15 percent said, "I don't have a problem with girls who want to play, but creating a league is overkill."

- No one said, "Why don't they get involved with cheer-leading?"

- 5, or 38 percent, said, "Football is not a sport for girls. I don't think they should be playing at all."

- 1, or 8 percent said, "Other."

This week's Web question: **Andover High School has some unusual hall passes, such as a giantsuitcase, a large stick and a stuffed fish. Are teachers going too far with creative alternatives to hall passes?**

- These hall passes sound like fun. More teachers should do it.

- It is a great wait to cut down on hall wandering and class cutting.

- There should be some limits around how inventive the teachers can get with hall passes. Students should have some say in the selection.

- Give the kids a note if they need to leave the classroom. High school has enough social challenges. Having to lug a huge, embarrassing hall pass though the school is asking too much.

- Why bother with hall passes? Kid are going to do what the want anyway.

- Other.

To cast a vote, surf to www.andovertownsmen.com.

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MEMORIAL FOR MEMORIAL DAY



Work for the new World War II Memorial in the Park began on Monday. The granite memorial will be installed tomorrow, Friday, and the dedication will take place on Memorial Day, May 31.

PHOTO BY TM JEAN

LETTERS

Progress on center

Editor, *Townsmen*:

The Andover Senior Center is a community resource for both seniors and their families. Many residents supported the new senior center project through their votes at Town Meeting. We will need the community's continued support next year to make the new center a reality.

The Senior Center Task Force members have worked diligently for more than two years exploring all possible options for expanding the center, which has outgrown its effectiveness. The center also has been outgrown by the growing population of active, healthy residents over 60, a group whose numbers will increase dramatically in the next few years as the "Baby Boomers" reach 60.

The School Committee's support and vote to transfer the land adjacent to the Doherty Middle School for the future site of the Senior Center was essential to keep the center near downtown Andover. By doing so, its members have demonstrated how necessary it is for all of us to work together, regardless of age or self-interest.

Seniors and staff who have remained committed to this project through the many twists and turns in the process have brought it to this point. Many have worked for a center they may never see, that will benefit Andover's residents who have not yet attained "senior status." Their perseverance and wisdom reach far beyond their years as marked by the calendar.

We welcome anyone who hasn't yet visited the current center to stop in and learn about the programs and services we offer, to see the plans and to participate in the progress toward a new Andover Senior Center.

Kathy Urquhart
Acting Director
Elder Services

Green grass, drinkable water

Editor, *Townsmen*:

As a result of the article in last week's *Townsmen* about protecting the Andover water supply, people have asked our Sustainability Committee members for specific information on how to care for lawns in ways that are safe for the water supply. Simple things that can be done now are taking a soil sample to a nursery for analysis and putting down lime, if needed; overseeding with grass seed; using slow-release organic fertilizers, instead of the high-nitrogen chemical ones; mowing the grass 3 1/2 inches high or more and leaving the clippings on the lawn; picking dandelions by hand before they go to seed rather than using chemical weed killers; and using household vinegar to kill grass and weeds growing in sidewalks or gravel areas. A good Web link for information is "Natural Lawn Care" at www.ci.wellesley.ma.us/nrc/ pesticide. (Click on the ladybug icon).

Diana Walsh
Greybitch Road
President,
League of Women Voters

Prison, homeless ranks say reform foster care

Editor, *Townsmen*:

Recently I asked many of my constituents to guess how many children in Massachusetts are in foster care because their families do not have the resources or capacity to provide safe, stable living conditions. Most guessed in the hundreds. The truth is that more than 11,000 children are in foster care in Massachusetts. If there is a single human-service issue that deserves our attention and advocacy, it is finding better ways to meet the physical, mental and social needs of children in state custody. These children deserve more of us.

As chairwoman of the Human Services Committee, I recently held a regional forum on the foster care system. In attendance were foster parents and children as well as advocates and social workers,

inside and outside the state child welfare system. They shared their experiences and ideas for improving outcomes for foster children. Despite the best efforts of many good people, the statistics reveal dismal and expensive performance measures when foster children "age-out" of the system at age 18: 30 percent of the boys in foster care end up in prison; 50 percent of the girls have babies out of wedlock; nearly one-third of our homeless population grow up in foster homes.

The economic and human case for reform is compelling. We need more foster parents and they need more support from schools, non-profit agencies, employers, and medical/mental health professionals. Study after study has

shown that quality, stable foster homes backed up by community intervention and prevention programs can reverse these outcomes for foster kids.

May has been declared National Foster Care Month in the hope of calling attention to the dire need for more caring adults to play a more meaningful role in the lives of the state's foster children. More funding is on the way for recruitment, support and services provided by foster parents.

Recognizing the important role of foster parents is a small but important step in improving these children's lives. People interested in learning more about becoming a foster parent can call 1-800-KIDS-508.

Sue Tucker
State Senator
Farrwood Drive

Don't be fooled by Marasco and her rubber stamp

Editor, *Townsmen*:

Between the *Townsmen* and the *Eagle-Tribune*, there have been several stories recently on the candidacy of Maria Marasco for the 18th Essex State Representative seat held by Barbara L'Italien. The stories are of the gushing variety, as if the very idea that a Republican is running for office is prominently newsworthy. While that is probably true, given the Republican Party's inability to attract a majority of voters to its ranks, I find nothing newsworthy of Marasco's effort.

She is running on her "experience," we are told, yet she has none. She is running for "positive" reasons, and yet she is against civil rights for all and, incredibly, against discounting pricing for prescription drugs for seniors by allowing a program whereby they can be purchased from Canada. Instead, she proposes some kind of voluntary system whereby the drug companies lower pricing on their own. How naive.

L'Italien, on the other hand, has been an incredibly energetic and independent voice on

Beacon Hill these past two years. She has differentiated herself by her strength and willingness to vote her conscience and for her constituency, and not to simply follow the party leadership. By contrast, Marasco eagerly looks forward to simply rubber-stamping every Romney initiative, while barking the same tired wolf about "Democratic control." I find that as she again runs for office, she is simply against whatever the incumbent is for and is hoping that the state Republican Party will infuse enough cash into her coffers that she can overwhelm her opponent.

Do not be fooled by this latest attempt at getting elected. The voters listened during her last campaign, and even as they voted for Romney, they rejected Marasco exactly because of her lack of ideas, independence and leadership capability. L'Italien has shown she possesses these qualities, and deserves to be re-elected as our state representative.

Gerry Gustus
5 Fern Road

THE THURSDAY FILE

At work, you think of the children you have left at home. At home, you think of the work you've left unfinished. Such a struggle is unleashed within yourself. Your heart is rent.

GOLDA MEIR

Oh, to be half as wonderful as my child thought I was when he was small, and only half as stupid as my teenager thinks I am.

REBECCA RICHARDS

My mother was my first jealous lover.

BARBARA GRIZZUTI HARRISON

Happiness is in the heart, not in the circumstances.

UNKNOWN

My mother had great deal of trouble with me, but I think she enjoyed it.

MARK TWAIN

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DRAPER FISHER JURVETSON

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COLETTE,
IN MY MOTHER'S HOUSE

Wishing to be friends is quick work, but friendship is a slow ripening fruit.

ARISTOTLE

Being a full-time mother is one of the highest salaried jobs ... since the payment is pure love.

MILDRED B. VERMONT

The Oscar Wilde quotation

Hatred is blind, as well as love.

About 'Thursday File'

Steve MacDowall started the file on the Internet. The Web site for his creation is www.hudsonvanloo.ca and it suggests books to read and offers quotations such as the ones on this page.

LETTERS

Father/daughter dances
Event's name hurts feelingsEditor, *Townsmen*:

To Andover's elementary school principals and parents:

It's springtime and with it come many wonderful spring rituals in town. The start of Little League, town soccer and lacrosse, and fishing derbies, just to name a few. One spring ritual, in particular, which my daughter always loved, was the father/daughter dance. In her bedroom and my husband's study are favorite photos of the two of them decked out for a night in the Andover High School field house. The events were always well organized by a band of hard-working parent volunteers who put in hours to make the event a success.

So why am I writing? I never realized until three years ago, what heartache this event causes. Not the event itself, actually, just the name.

Three years ago, my niece, who is now in third grade, lost her father. My brother-in-law was a wonderful dad. The kind who played hoops in the back yard, took his kids to the beach, the kind who would have proudly taken his daughter to the father/daughter dance. Every year, Mike would have had dozens of photos taken of him and his daughter and proudly shown them to everyone in the office. I also have another niece who lives in a neighboring town. This year, for the first time in five years, she went to the father/daughter dance with her dad. Why? Her parents are divorced and her

dad lives 2,000 miles away. No matter how much he loves his daughter, he just can't fly here every spring for a weekend. There are other girls too, whose dads travel frequently or have schedules that prevent them from attending.

When I drive by elementary schools and see the signs announcing the yearly event, and when I see the flyers sent out at school, I can only think of my nieces and other girls who are reminded again of their loss. I am in no way suggesting we do away with this event. Nor am I in any way criticizing the many volunteers who work hard to put together an awesome night out. I am only suggesting that the event be renamed.

I have to admit somewhat sheepishly that, had it not been for my nieces, I probably would never have given this a second thought. There is no way we can take away the pain and loss that a child who loses a parent suffers. There will be reminders throughout their lives: at birthdays, Father's Day, graduations, weddings. But by simply renaming this terrific annual event "Spring Fling" or "Girls' Night Out" — or something perhaps far more clever than I can come up with at the moment — with an invitation to bring one's dad, grandfather, favorite uncle, etc., perhaps might we avoid unnecessary sadness for some of our more vulnerable kids?

Lisa Johnson Svec
37 Holt Road

Demanding coaches prepare players

Editor, *Townsmen*:

I am quite upset by the recent controversy regarding the failure to renew Richard Loschi as the Andover High School's girls varsity soccer coach. I cannot believe a person who is passionate about soccer, and who has a winning record and numerous honors as coach of the year lost his job for no apparent reason.

I have worked with Loschi for 20 years, first at West Elementary School, and, more recently, at West Middle School. Loschi is a caring, child-centered individual. As a counselor, I have always been able to approach Loschi about various students and know that we would, without question, do whatever was best for them. As team leader, he works with peers, students and parents. It is rare in current society to have no or few complaints about teachers; Loschi has had few, if any, complaints.

I realize that there is a difference between coaching and teaching. However, the essence of the caring person does not disappear between these two jobs. Over the years, I have frequently seen Loschi's team members visit him after school. By all appearances, they respect Loschi and enjoy being with him.

I do not know what prompted the current situation. I do know, however, that since the advent of

Title IX, women have had many more sports opportunities opened to them. They need a high school coach such as Loschi, whose dedication and training enables young women to compete on the next level. In fact, a number of past soccer players from Andover have received athletic scholarships due to the efforts of this coach. Perhaps people in Andover have not watched some of the nation's elite college women's coaches. These people are demanding, intense and dedicated. They expect their student players to be able to put up with intense pressure with dignity, grace and fortitude.

It is a sad day, indeed, when such a dedicated coach is told not to apply for a coaching position he has held for almost 20 years. I hope this situation is not related to a disgruntled parent who is having difficulty with the concept of team playing. If it is, shame on the parent and the lesson that person is teaching his or her daughter.

Does the town of Andover not want their young women athletes to compete on a level that will allow them to go to strong soccer college programs? I certainly hope not.

Judy Piolunek
Lawrence
Counselor,
West Middle School

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PLANNING BOARD

Business-use only: New plan seeks bank for Park St. property

By Andrea Gregory

Developer Steve Stapinski brought his new plans for 69 Park St. before the Planning Board on Tuesday night, and the plans involve using the location for business purposes only.

Stapinski decided not to pursue a mixed-use proposal the Planning Board approved in August 2003.

His new idea for the space is to create a 11,427 square foot, three-story commercial building that would house a bank on the first floor and offer room for one or two other businesses above the bank. The footprint of the proposed building is about 3,900 square feet on about a half-acre lot.

Stapinski's original idea for

the property was to build a 20,480 square foot square foot structure with condominiums and office space. Conditions imposed by the Planning Board restricted this first proposal to 18,480 square feet. Still, the idea of the property hosting nine condominiums and space for four businesses brought several neighbors to Planning Board meetings with concerns about density and the project's effects on the neighborhood.

After Tuesday's hearing, it appears as though Stapinski's new plan for the property could be more pleasing to residents and officials.

"I think this is a good solution to the concerns the town and the neighbors had," said Stapinski on his way out of the hearing. "The concept of this development is different in nature."

"It's just a better project. It's a better fit for the neighborhood," said Planning Director Steve Colyer.

According to Colyer, only two residents raised concerns about traffic and pedestrian safety at Tuesday night's meeting.

Members of the fire, building and public works departments reviewed the new plans on April 13. Their thoughts and concerns were shared with the Planning Board on Tuesday.

Colyer said the general census is that the new designs are an improvement over the previous proposal. Officials said the density has been reduced, and the plan seems appropriate for a General Business District property.

Stapinski said the change in his plan is a reaction to a change in the real estate market.

"There's a lot of banks that want to go in there," he said, without naming any potential tenants.

A drive-through area and 40 parking spaces are including in Stapinski's plan.

Chabad Lubavitch

Religious center seeks expansion

By Andrea Gregory

Several residents piled into Tuesday's Planning Board meeting to make their concerns known about the proposed expansion of the Chabad Lubavitch Jewish Center of the Merrimack Valley in Shawsheen Square.

Continued discussion of the religious center's plan brought up residents' concerns about drainage, traffic and frontage.

Chabad Lubavitch is an Orthodox Jewish group that wants to tear down the home near the corner of Routes 133 and 28 where it is housed and build a new center for its growing congregation. The proposed center would be a two-story, 9,280 square-foot building at 310 North Main St.

It is estimated that 50 to 60 cars could travel to the site for large events. The plan before the Planning Board on Tuesday night showed two ways to access the site: the current method, by traveling down a private way known as "Old Poor Street"; and a new way, by creating an extension off Marwood Drive. But at the next Planning Board meeting,

a new version of the project will show access from the private way only.

Planning Director Steve Colyer said eliminating the Marwood Drive access would be safer. He said the original intent of having two ways to enter the property was to split traffic and give the property frontage. Right now the frontage is considered to be on the private way, but since the center does not own the private way, it is questionable if the new project is overstepping old deed rights to use it. The board plans to discuss this issue at future meetings.

But the bulk of what was discussed at Tuesday's public hearing may not be easy issues for the Planning Board to address when it comes time for deliberation. Under a law known as the Dover Amendment, the Planning Board may impose "reasonable" regulations on only a handful of issues for religious establishments. These include the bulk and height of the structure, yard size, lot area, setbacks, open space, parking and building coverage requirements.



PHOTO BY TIM JEAN

People leaving Saint Robert Bellarmine Church, 198 Haggetts Pond Road, last Sunday. It has been added to the list of churches suggested for possible closure, as part of the reconfiguration of the Archdiocese of Boston.

Church faces May 25 judgment day

■ ST. ROBERT'S

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to the list because it is smaller than other churches in the area.

Each geographical cluster of Catholic churches was asked to recommend a church in its cluster that could be shut down if needed. They were also asked to recommend a second church to close down, if necessary.

Conway said the recommendation from the cluster was that none of its churches should be closed, but that if a parish had to shut its doors, it should be the smallest — St. Robert's.

"We struggled through the question the archbishop had asked," he said. "It does not mean we will close. It just doesn't. We need to give it time. We truly are not on a list of closures."

According to Conway, it might be difficult to add 3,500 St. Robert's parishioners to another local congregation. Masses at the nearby Catholic churches are pretty full already, he said. He said there are about 600 children in St. Robert's religious education classes. But St. Robert's does have room to be a welcoming parish, he said, and he would welcome that opportunity.

Conway said sending letters or signing petitions to keep St. Robert's open would not be appropriate. He asked those at the 11 a.m. Mass to avoid adopting activist roles in the process.

"Some of you may be frustrated, no doubt. There are at least 37 more parishes that are just like us and don't want to close," he said.

He then uttered prayerful words for perspective.

"Thy kingdom come, thy will be done," he said. "Your will, not mine. That is the ultimate maturity in Christian life. It's not easy, and I'm not saying it is. It's not pleasant, but it's reality."

Except for Conway's homily, the Mass seemed a normal one, as if there were no possibility that this 44-year-old church could stop operating. The choir sang. People prayed. Youngsters squirmed in their pews. When the donation basket was passed, women reached into their purses and men pulled out their wallets. Members of the church slowly

inched their way up the aisle to receive communion.

After Mass, carnations for Mother's Day were sold near the church steps. As rain fell, some of the people exiting the church were asked to comment on the possibility of St. Robert's closing, but declined.

Conway said it is possible many of them had just heard the news for the first time.

"Life goes on, and we are going to come back here next week and still not know," Conway said. "It's about hope. That's what Easter is about. We need to pray for the archbishop. And cynicism has no place in any of it."



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Rev. Richard T. Conway, of Saint Robert Bellarmine parish, informs church members last Sunday that their church has been added to a list of churches suggested for possible closure.

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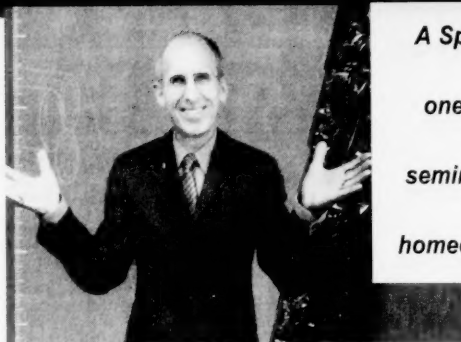
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Molly Lynch, 10, shows the happy side of her heart, while Jane Vondell (in back) works on hers. Bancroft's intergenerational program paired fourth-graders to work with Andover seniors on the Heart Project.

You gotta have (he)art

Interactive artwork involving students, senior citizens and lots of paper hearts is on the walls at the Andover Senior Center. Andover artist Thea Shapiro met with Bancroft Elementary School fourth-graders and seniors involved in Bancroft's intergenerational program and asked each to take a paper heart and write something that made them happy on one side and something that made them sad on the other.

"It's sort of using art to share our emotions," said Shapiro. Students wrote words such as "Yankees," "grounded" and "thunderstorms" to describe what made them sad, said Shapiro. "Friends," "pets" and "good weather" were among the things that made them happy.

Seniors wrote about losing friends and relatives for sadness, and friends and grandchildren for happiness. "One woman wrote, 'I'm too old to have time to be sad,'" said Shapiro.

During June, a big heart made from stainless steel will be displayed at the center with magnetic words on it that people can use to make poetry. On Tuesday, June 8, Shapiro will come to the senior center to decorate *papier maché* hearts. The magnetic heart may also make an appearance in front of Old Town Hall if Shapiro can work it out with officials.

— Ben Hellman

Sign of the times

From the corner of Clark and Dascomb roads, would you know which way to go to head for the White Mountains?

For decades, an old sign with 11 arrows has led people in the right direction. The way to the White Mountains goes in the same direction as Lowell and Tewksbury, down Dascomb Road toward Interstate 93. If you are looking for Andover, Lawrence, Haverhill or Portland, Maine, head the other way on Dascomb Road. Three more arrows point the way to Ballardvale, Wilmington and Reading.

But the sign has been absent from the Clark and Dascomb roads area for months. A tough winter and a rusted pole caused the sign to come down, said Town Manager Buzz Stapczynski.

However, officials are planning an event to welcome the old sign back to the streets of Andover. The unveiling of the sign restoration will be on Tuesday, May 18, at 9:30 a.m.

"It's a neat sign. I'm excited to see it myself," said Stapczynski, commenting that these unique touches to the town and historical displays "add a lot of warmth to the community."

According to Philip Newcomb, general foreman, workers will put up the restored sign on Friday and then keep it covered until Tuesday.

— Andrea Gregory

Screaming for ice cream?

With the good weather rolling in, ice cream is on everyone's minds. The Sarkasians of West Andover have more tables and chairs for their ice-cream patrons this summer, while Mad Maggie's — owned by Andover residents Steve and Maggie Reppucci, just over the town line in North Reading — is open and serving up homemade ice cream. Now, the newest business on the ice-cream scene is Main Line Creamery of 100 School St., which opens this Saturday, May 15 at 10 a.m. It, too, is featuring homemade ice cream.

— Judy Wakefield

Animal photos at award dinner

Dianne DeLucia, a Tewksbury Street resident whose greeting card business, little brown cat, was featured in the Feb. 19 *Townsmen*, will have some of her animal photos featured tonight, Thursday, May 13, at the MSPCA's Annual Hall of Fame dinner, which is being held at the John F. Kennedy Library.

Mary Tyler Moore will receive a Humanitarian award, and Liz Brunner from Channel 5 will be the mistress of ceremonies.

Hero Awards will be given to an adult, a child and a dog at the event. DeLucia said she was asked to photograph each hero for the organization's program and press releases. Several of her photos will be included in a slide show that will running at the event, she reported.

Taking a pass!

Monitoring students: AHS teachers assign creative hall passes

By Andrea Gregory

AMANDA KAMINSKI, 17, a junior at Andover High School, walked down the third-floor corridor twirling around her finger the thin, red string attached to her hall pass.

It is easy to pick out the kids who carry these hall passes, which were issued to each teacher at the beginning of the school year. They twirl them around their fingers as Kaminski did, or swing them through the air. Ideally, they were intended to be worn around the neck, but few do this.

"They all kind of twirl it, twist it," said hall monitor Steve Games, a 17-year-old junior who sees a lot of this behavior on a regular basis.

And then the strings break. The plastic-covered hall passes attached to a red string have been known to fall off, said both students and teachers. So, a few unusual substitutions have been introduced to the halls of Andover High.

Students who need a pass to leave the library do not get to travel with the standard issued passes. Library leavers must lug a suitcase on their hallway journeys.

It's large. It's red. It reads "Library Hall Pass" in black letters. But for some students, it screams embarrassment. Haley Buendia, a 14-year-old freshman, admits she has had to carry the suitcase out of the library in her high school career.

"I had to once, and I put it down half way and picked it back up" before returning to the library, she said. "I think having a piece of paper (for a hall pass) treats you more like an adult."

But part of the problem is that there are fewer adults — staff — in the school than there were before positions were cut last year. The number of

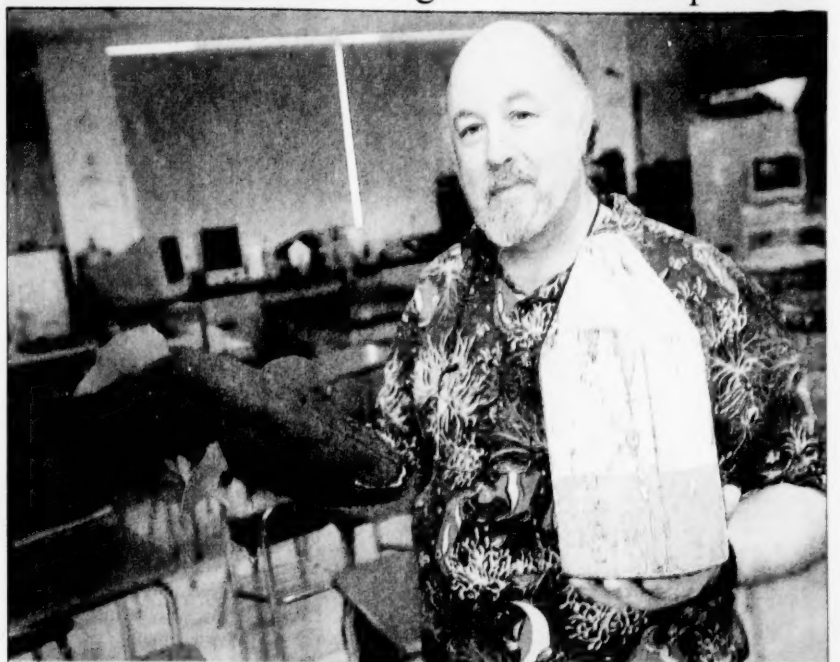
students in study halls has also dramatically increased. Last year, Andover High offered 39 study halls. In the fall, there were 59 study halls.

John Berube, the high school's library media specialist and the brains behind the largest hall pass in Andover High history, said he is aware some students find the suitcase embarrassing. Some won't even leave the library if it means they have to carry luggage with them, he said.

"They try to ditch it," Berube said.

A common place to leave it is in a crevice between a wall and the library's open door. That way the embarrassment or attention brought on by the oversized hall pass will only last for a few feet.

"For five minutes, that's your five minutes of fame. I say 'Hold your head up high and carry it with pride,'" Berube said is his



PHOTOS BY TIM JEAN

Oh, buoy! — Students at Andover High School know they're not exactly inconspicuous when they're floating through the hallways carrying an oversize stuffed green fish or a buoy, the hall passes coordinated by Chet Orban, an oceanography and marine biology teacher.



Spanish teacher Tom Powers (left photo) came up with the "Dalé Dalé Dalé (Hit it! Hit it! Hit it!)" board, part piñata stick, part hall pass. John Berube (right photo), the library media specialist, invented the largest hall pass in the history of Andover High.



attempt at a convincing spiel. "They say, 'You are kidding, right?' and I say, 'No.'"

But depending on the day, 15 or 20 kids are likely to take the hall pass by the handle, he said.

"It's a test of character," said Berube. "It makes them stop and think, 'Do I really want to cruise the halls and meet up with my friends with this?' There is a lot more wandering or attempted wandering going on, and we are all trying to cut down on that. It's all a matter of supervision."

Berube's library staff was cut

by two thirds. He had three aides last year. This year he is working with one. That makes it tougher to ensure that students are not wandering the halls unnecessarily, or cutting class.

Berube is not the only teacher taking a creative approach to hall passes. Leo Lafond adopted the suitcase idea. Students pick up a smaller brown suitcase on their way out of his science class.

"It's an attempt to keep kids in the classroom," said Spanish teacher Tom Powers.

Powers is the founder of the "Dalé Dalé Dalé stick" hall pass. The wooden two-by-four is a replica of a piñata stick and a student's ticket to the restrooms or locker.

The kids also sign in and out on a designated section of the blackboard.

Steve Sanborn, a biology teacher, is currently holding onto the standard issued hall passes, but the sweeping trend of creative approaches has got him thinking. He's not sure exactly what he will use to replace the hall passes, but he is open to a more durable alternative.

"I'll let the kids come up with some ideas," he said.

But if you ask most of the students, the most popular answer seems to be doing away with hall passes completely. "Now it seems like every teacher is trying to outdo the other," said Games, from his student hall monitor post.

There are a few luggage hall

passes. Chet Orban, an oceanography and marine biology teacher, decided to have his hall passes reflect his courses. There is a green, stuffed fish for the girls and an old buoy for the boys to carry.

English teacher Edward Yasuna issues a wooden sea captain figurine to his students who ask to leave class.

"I kind of like it," said Nat Quinlan, a 16-year-old junior taking English with Yasuna. "It fits nice in your hand," he said walking down the hall with it.

Berube has an idea that will even outdo his suitcase. It was his original thought when he went shopping for a creative hall pass in a thrift store. It's a baby carriage with a cinder-block passenger, he said. For some students, that might make the idea of carrying a giant red suitcase seem inconspicuous.

"The fact that they are creative doesn't bother me," said Peter Anderson, the high school principal. "They have been fairly successful."

Anderson said hall passes in general are a way of placing a few limits and supervision measures on the hallways. But whether teachers insist on students carrying a piece of paper or a cinder-block baby, the age-old art of hallway wandering will be a tough habit to completely eliminate.

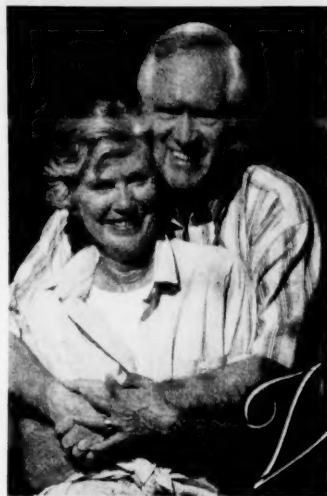
"They are just trying to embarrass kids so they don't leave. You can't stop it. Kids find a way around it," said Kaminski.

FAMILY AFFAIR



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Best-selling author Dani Shapiro (second from left), whose books including *Playing with Fire*, *Fugitive Blue*, *Picturing the Wreck* and her memoir, *Slow Motion*, shared her thoughts about her novels with 125 members of the Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel during the group's annual dinner. Shapiro, the daughter-in-law of local real estate agent Bunny Maren, also talked about her new book *Family History*. Pictured with Shapiro, from left, are Karen Byers, Peri Kutchin and Judy Ahadian, who led the committee organizing the Spring Celebration Dinner and Fundraiser.



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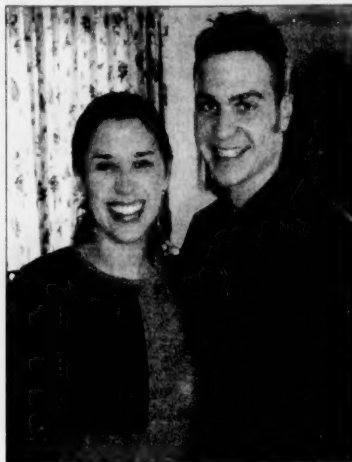
Coletti-Parsons

Mr and Mrs Noel Vincent Coletti Jr. of Haverhill announced the engagement of their daughter, Sarah Noel Young Coletti, to Christopher Thomas Parsons of Portland, Maine. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Frederick Parsons of Andover.

Ms. Coletti graduated from Rutgers University and is employed by Dimillo's Corp. in Portland.

Mr. Parsons, a media student at Southern Maine Community College, is employed by CBS affiliate WGME-TV/Channel 13 in Portland.

The couple plan a June wedding.



Sarah Coletti and
Christopher Parsons

Kaitsunas-Fillipon

Charles and Pamela Smith of Andover announce the engagement of their daughter, Stefanie Kaitsunas, to Joseph Fillipon Jr., son of Joseph and Karen Fillipon of Andover.

Ms. Kaitsunas, a graduate of Andover High School and Blaine Hairdressing Academy, is employed by J. Christopher Hair Salon in Andover.

Mr. Fillipon, a graduate of Essex Agricultural High School in Danvers, is employed by Elm Street Automotive in Andover.

The couple plan a June wedding.



Joseph Fillipon Jr. and
Stefanie Kaitsunas

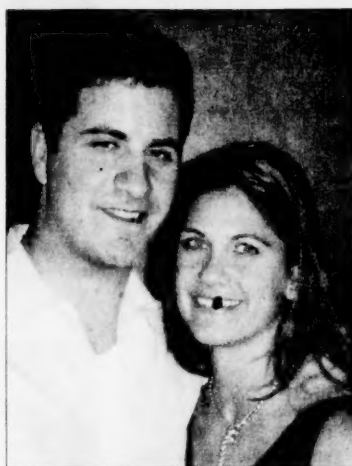
Firicano-Novelline

Frank and Anne Firicano of Andover announce the engagement of their daughter, Amanda Firicano, to Andrew James Novelline, son of William and Eileen Novelline of Andover.

Ms. Firicano, a graduate of Brooks School and Georgetown University, is employed as an account director at CMP Media.

Mr. Novelline, a graduate of St. John's Prep and Boston College, is employed as an investment adviser at Abbot Financial Management.

The couple plan a September wedding.



Andrew Novelline and
Amanda Firicano

Goldenberg-Weiner

Helen Goldenberg of Florida and Albany, N.Y., and Benjamin and Beverly Weiner of Andover announce the engagement of

Audrey B. Goldenberg and Jonathan G. Weiner of White Plains, N.Y.

Ms. Goldenberg graduated from Wesleyan University and the Bank Street College of Education. She teaches elementary school in New York, N.Y. She is the daughter of the late Harvey Goldenberg.

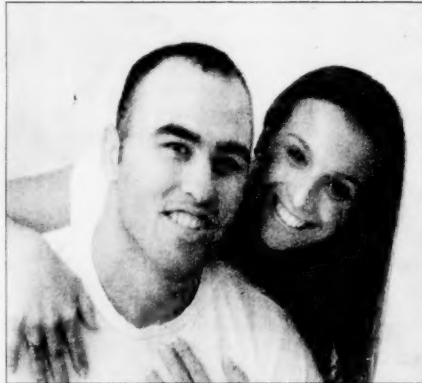
Mr. Weiner graduated from the University of Rhode Island. He is a technical recruiter in Norwalk, Conn.

The couple plan a July 2005 wedding.



Jonathan G. Weiner and
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Boettcher-Priest

Edward and Deborah Boettcher of Andover announce the engagement of their daughter, Kimberly Ann Boettcher, to John Raymond Priest, son of John and Patricia Priest of Cheshire, Conn.

Ms. Boettcher received a master's degree in elementary education from Quinnipiac University. She is a teacher in the Lawrence Public Schools.

Mr. Priest, a graduate of Southern Connecticut State University, is employed at Baseball Unlimited in Waltham.

The couple plan a July 2005 wedding.



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SOCIAL NOTEBOOK

The Andover Youth Foundation invites the public to "Springfest" Friday night, May 21 at 7:30 at Indian Ridge Country Club. The night will feature the sounds of The Classics, and the cost is \$25 per person.

There will also be light bites and a "Stuff the Raffle Box Prize You Want" with chances to win a beach house for the weekend (which includes a clambake for 10 people); tickets to the KISS 108 Concert and the JAM'N 94.5 Summer Concert; weekend get-aways in Boston, sports tickets and other raffle prizes.

This event is being hosted by Ann and Mike Sico of Andover. Organizers said that their son, T.J., an Andover High grad, "had such an incredible experience with Bill Fahey and the Andover Youth Services staff, that they wanted to give something back."

The Andover Youth Foundation is a non-profit organization that is raising money to build a youth center in Andover.

For more information or to purchase tickets, call the AYF office at 978-470-1515.

Lifelong Andover resident Jim Doherty, town moderator since 1977, will be this year's recipient of the annual "Friends of Merrimack College" award, which is given to the person or



Taking a break from building and painting booths for this weekend's ClownTown are the boys from Boy Scout Troop 79, flanked by representatives of the Andona Society. From left are: Patty Garcia, Andrew Noonan, Andrew Wait, Shawn Noonan, Alex Macheras, Dante Smith, Chris Smith, Wilson Belbin, Chris O'Connell and Debbie Goldstein. Missing from picture are John Wait, and Mark and Ryan Noonan.

group who best exemplifies the Friends' mission through social, cultural, and fundraising activities.

Doherty will be recognized for his longtime commitment and support of the college at the group's annual dinner meeting Thursday, May 27 at 6 p.m. at Andover Country Club.

Doherty has co-owned Doherty Insurance Agency and Doherty Realty Agency since 1937.

He has served many roles in local town government, including chairing the Andover Democratic Town Committee for 20 years.

He and his wife, Sheila, have five children and three grandchildren.

The Friends of Merrimack College is an organization committed to providing scholarship support to Merrimack College students. The group will present a check for approximately \$300,000 for Merrimack College student scholarships.

Tickets to the event are available by calling the Friends of Merrimack at 978-837-5121. Tickets will not be available at the door, organizers said.

On Tuesday, May 18 at 7:30 p.m., the Northeast Chapter of the Massachusetts Archaeological Society will cosponsor a program at the R. S. Peabody Museum of Archaeology in Andover. The lecture is free and open to the public.

James W. Bradley, president of Archlink, will speak on "The Cams Site: A New View of the Ceramic Period on Cape Cod." This was an important period of time, when Native culture was undergoing significant change. Although the people who lived at the Cams site are unknown, they were certainly ancestral to Wampanoag people.

Cams gives a new and different view into the life of the Cape's first people. Organizers said the end of the Early Woodland period and the Middle Woodland period – between 2,100 and 1,100 years ago – are not well understood on Cape Cod.

For additional information, call the Peabody Museum at 978-749-4490.



Jim Doherty

TIRELESS MENTOR



John E. Fenton Jr. of Andover, distinguished professor of law at Suffolk University Law School, recently received the 2004 Irish American Person of the Year Award from the Irish American Law Society of Suffolk University Law School. Fenton was recognized for his countless contributions to the law school community, including his teaching and mentoring of thousands of Irish American graduates of Suffolk Law School, as well as his tireless service to charitable and social service organizations. Fenton began his teaching career at the law school in 1957. He served as law dean from 1994 to 1999 when he was named distinguished professor of law. Fenton is the former chief justice for administration and management of the Massachusetts Trial Court. He is chairman of the board of the Holy Family Hospital in Methuen and a governor of Caritas Christi Health Care System. Pictured with Fenton (center) are his wife, Theresa, and Chris Boulger, president of the Irish American Law Society at Suffolk Law School.

A DIFFERENT DERBY



Pictured is Sara Underwood (center) of UPN 38/WBZ-TV CBS 4 with Andover resident Evelina Kolchinsky, owner of the Evelina Collection. Kolchinsky designed many of the glamour hats worn by the guests at the American Cancer Society's Gala 2004. Also pictured is Evelina's husband, Alex Kolchinsky. Three hundred guests bedecked in fancy hats celebrated this year's Kentucky Derby in style at the American Cancer Society's Gala 2004 at the Castle at Park Plaza in Boston on May 1. In the past five years, this gala event has raised \$2.7 million in vital funds to benefit the society's programs of research, education, advocacy, and patient services.

RELIGION NEWS

Temple Emanuel of Andover hosts Ilan Segev, of the Consulate of Israel to New England, for a lecture and discussion Monday, May 17 at 5:30 p.m. This program is free and open to the public. A light Israeli buffet will be served.

Call the Temple at 978-470-1356 to RSVP. Temple Emanuel is located at 7 Haggetts Pond Road.

On Sunday, May 23 from 10:30 a.m. to noon, Temple Emanuel is hosting an educational program on teen violence. This program, presented by the Essex County district attorney's office, will include a 30-minute video that shows discussions with two teens who were involved in violent relationships, a PowerPoint presentation on the consequences of teen violence, an outline of the legal consequences that fall into teen violence, and information on restraining orders and other resources. It is appropriate for parents and children of all faiths who are in sixth grade and older. To register, call 978-470-1356 or email: temmanuel@temmanuel.org.

SouthWinds service on May 15 is "The Souls of Our Feet." "Walking the sacred labyrinth" is an ancient Christian meditative experience, a prayer path that energizes the human spirit. This Saturday at 5 p.m., SouthWinds at South Church will offer a labyrinth worship experience with the Rev. Kathy Musser. A labyrinth walk will be offered as part of the worship experience. "Labyrinth-walking is an intuitive spiritual exercise," organizers said. "All one needs to do is open oneself to the gift of God's presence. Join SouthWinds in experiencing this powerful tool for spiritual renewal and transformation." Meditative music for the service and the journey will be presented by Celtic Harps.



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OBITUARIES

Gayle A. Lemay

Punchard '57 grad worked for Honeywell

Gayle A. Lemay, 64, of Andover died Friday, May 7 at home.

Born in Lawrence, Mrs. Lemay graduated from Punchard High School in Andover in 1957 and worked for Honeywell.



Gayle A. Lemay

Members of her family include her husband, Joseph Lemay of Andover; daughters, Dawn Gilmore and her husband Michael of Methuen and Tracy Valline of Newbury Park, Calif.; father, Henry Richardson; sister, Pamela Richardson of Andover; and a grandchild.

Calling hours are today, Thursday, May 13 from 6 to 8 p.m. with funeral services at 8 p.m. at Hart-Wallace Funeral Home, 107 S. Broadway, Lawrence.

Burial will be private.

Francis O. Fleming

Machinist retired from Lincoln Labs

Francis O. Fleming, 82, of Methuen, died Friday, May 7 at Methuen in Andover.

Born in Lawrence, Mr. Fleming was a graduate of Edward F. Searles High School in Methuen. He was a machinist for 32 years at Lincoln Labs, a division of MIT, in Bedford prior to retiring in 1987.

During World War II, he served his country in the US Navy as a Seabee and was the recipient of the Asiatic Pacific Ribbon with one star, the American Area Ribbon and the World War II Victory Medal prior to being honorably discharged at the war's end.

Mr. Fleming attended Our Lady of Good Counsel Parish in Methuen.

Members of his family include his wife of 57 years, Eileen G. (O'Donnell) Fleming; daughters, Debra Romanshyn of Methuen and Linda Michaud of Salem, N.H.; sisters, Claire

Whicher, Lorraine B. Yaskowski and Margie Redding; brothers, Charles Fleming and Thomas A. Thomson; four grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

He was the father of the late Francis M. Fleming.

Arrangements were by Polard Funeral Home Inc., 233 Lawrence St., Methuen.

Evelyn Bailey

1942 Punchard grad traveled the world

Evelyn May (Anderson) Bailey, 81, of California and formerly of Andover, died March 19.

She was raised in Andover and graduated from Punchard High School in 1942.

Family members said she loved children and animals, and she filled her life with service to them as she traveled throughout the world, eventually settling in California.

Members of her family include her husband, Charles Ray Bailey; sons, Richard, Andy and David Bailey; sisters, Ruth Batchelder and Edith Batcheller of Andover; brother, Charles Anderson; four grandchildren, a great-grandson; and

several nieces and nephews.

She was also the sister of the late Helen Webb of Andover.

Family members said her ashes will rest on a hilltop grave in the California foothills along with those of her horse, Gaylene, and dog, Tiger.

Kathleen M. Johnson

Was stenographer at the State House

Kathleen M. (O'Reilly) Johnson, 82, of Andover, died Monday, May 10 at Sutton Hill Nursing & Retirement Home in North Andover.

She was born in Lawrence and had lived in Woburn for 17 years before moving to Andover in 1965.

She was a graduate of St. Patrick's Grammar School and St. Patrick's High School in Lawrence as well as Pierce Secretarial School of Boston. She had worked as a hearing stenographer for the Civil Service Commission at the State House in Boston. She retired in 1960.

Mrs. O'Brien was a member of St. Augustine Church, Andover.

She was the widow of George D. Johnson.

DEATHS

Evelyn May Bailey, 81
Rita Y. Corriveau, 87
Berta Desharnais, 83
Kathleen Dolan, 59
Francis O. Fleming, 82
Barbara J. Gelinas, 70
Kathleen M. Johnson, 82
Ruth I. Larkin, 79
Gayle A. Lemay, 64
Pauline Martin, 68
Carol A. Parker, 65

Members of her family include several nieces, nephews and cousins.

She was predeceased by her brothers, Dr. William R. O'Reilly and Francis J. O'Reilly.

Family and friends may visit from 9 to 10 a.m. tomorrow, Friday, May 14 at the Charles Dewhirst Andover Funeral Home, 33 Pearson St., Andover.

A funeral Mass will be said tomorrow, Friday, May 14 at 10:30 a.m. at St. Augustine Church, Andover.

Burial will be in Immaculate Conception Cemetery, Lawrence.

Memorial contributions may be made to Sutton Hill Nursing and Retirement Home, 1801

DEATHS ELSEWHERE

CORRIVEAU — Rita Y. (Cyr) Corriveau, 87, of Lawrence, died Thursday, May 6 at Caritas Holy Family Hospital in Methuen. She worked as an electronics assembler for Raytheon Co., in Andover for 20 years.

DOLAN — Kathleen (Conley) Dolan, 59, of Lawrence, died Thursday, May 6 at home. Members of her family include her sister, Eileen Garabedian of Andover.

GELINAS — Barbara J. Gelinas, 70, of Derry, N.H., died Wednesday, May 5 at Haven Health Center. She was an assembler for the Raytheon Corp. in Andover for many years before retiring in 1993.

LARKIN — Ruth I. (Luther) Larkin, 79, of Methuen, died Sunday, May 9 at home. Members of her family include her daughter and son-in-law, Patricia and James Murray of Andover.

MARTIN — Pauline Martin, 68, of Lawrence, died Monday, May 10 at Caritas Holy Family Hospital. Members of her family include her brother, Robert Martin and his wife Lorraine of Andover.

PARKER — Carol Ann (Morrison) Parker, 65, of Methuen, died Monday, May 10 at home. She was the office manager for Metcalf Parker Construction Co. in Andover for 26 years, which she and her husband owned and operated together.

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Berta Desharnais

Was store clerk, housekeeper

Berta Desharnais, 83, of Andover, died Friday, May 7 at Academy Manor Nursing Home.

Born and educated in Nuremberg, Germany, Mrs. Desharnais was a clerk at Almy's in Lawrence and a housekeeper for various Lawrence homes.

She was the widow of Leo J. Desharnais.

Members of her family include her daughter, Lucy E. Desharnais of Methuen; and a granddaughter.

Funeral services were private and by John Breen Memorial Funeral Home, 122 Amesbury St., Lawrence.

ALL THOSE YEARS AGO

100 Years Ago — 1904

Mrs. L. S. Waterman, formerly of Andover, sailed on the *Ivernia* on Tuesday for an extended trip abroad.

A large open car bound for Lawrence jumped the track in South Lawrence on Tuesday morning. After considerable work the car was replaced upon the rails. Over half an hour's time was lost by the accident.

The office of Frank E. Gleason, the well-known coal dealer, has undergone considerable alterations and improvements and is now very attractive and more convenient. The walls have been tinted a beautiful color and a new desk added.

Joseph Myerscough is a prominent candidate for the first lieutenantcy of the new militia company that has been formed in Lawrence.

The fire department was called out last Saturday morning to extinguish a brush fire in the Red Spring Reservation. The blaze was soon put out without much damage.

The many Vale friends of Mrs. Gertrude Nicholson deeply sympathize with her in the loss of her daughter, who died as the result of a surgical operation.

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The enforcement of a quarantine order against all persons from Mexico by the Texas state health officer for fear of yellow fever contagion has seriously crippled the passenger and freight traffic of the international railroads of that section. The Mexican government insists that Veracruz is the only place the disease now exists.

To enforce their demand for a nine-hour workday and new wage scale, 5,000 carriage and wagon builders of the New York district went on strike May 2. A

minimum rate of \$21 a week for heavy work and from that down to \$16.15 for wheel riders was asked. Overtime was to be charged and only union men to be employed. This demand was made upon 600 manufacturers including the makers of automobiles.

The number of arrests in Gloucester during April was 71, of which 48 were for drunkenness.

75 Years Ago — 1929

Miss Anna B. Abbott, who had been spending the winter in California, returned to Andover last week.

Raymond L. Buchan of Lincoln Street has been drawn for jury service by the selectmen. He will begin his duties June 3 at the civil session, which sits in Salem.

Captains who are assisting in the drive for \$17,000 for the benefit of Scouts in Andover are Fred E. Cheever and Henry G. Tyler.

A new traffic signal has been placed this week at the corner of Main and Morton streets indicating that cars entering Main Street from the east are to come to a complete stop.

The girls basketball team of Punchard High will sponsor their second annual prom on Wednesday evening, May 29 in the Punchard auditorium.

The Eastern Association of Physics Teachers held its 112th meeting Saturday in Andover at Samuel F. B. Morse Hall.

The two-act comedy "Patay" by Fannie Barnet Linsky will be staged this evening in Fraternal Hall under the auspices of the ways and means committee of the Fraternal Building Association. A large attendance is expected and tickets will be obtainable at the door.

The police shanty in the square was moved several feet from its location Tuesday afternoon when it was struck by a Chevrolet truck owned by the Lawrence Gas and Electric Co.

Sunday May 12, being National Hospital Day — the anniversary of Florence Nightingale — Lawrence General Hospital will observe the day by keeping open house from 2 to 5 o'clock. The public is invited to inspect the building and equipment.

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50 Years Ago — 1954

All Boy Scout and Explorer Scout units of Andover will camp over the weekend at Sid White's farm on Lowell Street, and Cub Scouts will visit the campsite Sunday afternoon.

Complete approval of the teaching of conversational French in the grade schools with recommendation for its continuance as a full time subject in the grades was expressed Monday night by the principals of the grade schools and the teachers who are handling the French program.

Andover's contribution to the cancer fund totals \$4,076 to date, an increase over the \$3,800 that had been received by June 3 of last year.

A tax rate of \$47 for 1954, an increase of \$3 over last year, has been announced by the assessors.

The ways and means committee of the PTA will sponsor a card party tonight at the home of Mrs. Robert LaVallee of Hall Avenue. Play will start at 8 o'clock.

Friday night bowling results were as follows: Jets 4, Migs 0, Atoms 3, Bombardiers 1; Rockets and Flying Saucers forfeited. High single, Virginia Maruzzi, 99; high triple, Florence Letters, 271; high pin fall, Atoms, 254.

A catered supper followed by entertainment and dancing will be held at 6:30 p.m., Saturday, May 15 in the Free Church by the Indian Ridge Rebekah Lodge 136, which will be celebrating its 50th anniversary. The public is cordially invited to attend, and there will be many state officers and out-of-town guests.

The sophomore class will sponsor a Maypole Dance, Friday evening May 14, in the Memorial Gymnasium. Preliminary voting has taken place in all classes for a May Queen, who will be selected at the dance.

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10 Years Ago — 1994

Members of the Andover Youth Council told selectmen Monday night they would like to have what they called a "Field of Dreams," an activities center with a large hall and conference rooms for young people, at Recreation Park. They asked board members to help them build it.

As a result of the declining number of Augustinian priests in the Catholic Church, by late spring St. Augustine Parish will be without a pastor.

This Tuesday, May 17, the town will hold a special election to see if voters will override Proposition 2½ to fund \$38.5 million in renovations and expansion of the buildings and grounds of South, Sanborn and Andover High schools; and \$2 million in technology upgrades for the remaining school buildings.

George H. W. Bush, the 41st president of the United States, will speak at Salem State College in Salem, Mass., on Thursday at 8 p.m.

Animal control officer Wayne Nader found and captured a parakeet on McKenney Circle Tuesday afternoon.

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How much of secret talks will be recorded?

Answer expected next meeting

By Ben Hellman

The School Committee will decide at its next meeting, May 25, how much its meeting minutes will reveal of the discussions it has behind closed doors.

The committee will review a policy amendment proposed by member Debbie Silberstein, who believes notes taken from meetings held in secret should provide residents with the flavor of the discussion.

The committee recently released 12 years of illegally withheld meeting minutes. Minutes indicate the committee discussed topics that should only have

been discussed in open sessions. The Connected Math Program was one subject discussed in secret that would not seem to be allowed by law.

State law controls why and how a closed-door meeting can be called. The committee is allowed to vote to go into a closed-door meeting for nine specific reasons dealing with issues such as discussions about students, complaints against personnel, litigation or bargaining strategies.

Minutes from School Committee meetings during the past few years have been very vague, offering readers little or no information about what was discussed. This is something Silberstein said she hopes to change. Silberstein's effort has met with resistance from the committee's legal counsel, who has

advised the committee to only list topics discussed in closed-door executive sessions. Members expect to decide at their next meeting how detailed their notes should be.

Member Art Barber asked Silberstein to produce examples of how her version of minutes would differ from the current approach. Silberstein said she plans to bring in a set of minutes from a meeting and show how she believes minutes should be taken.

Chairman Tony James said he is open minded on the subject and looks forward to the discussion. "It's nice to have two lawyers to argue on an issue," he said. James took charge of reviewing meeting minutes on a weekly basis until a formal policy was adopted at a meeting on April 13. James said there has

been only one executive session held since then and it will be reviewed at the May 25 meeting.

Resident and former School Committee candidate Tom Deso, like Silberstein herself, ran a campaign on the issues of openness and communication. Deso has continued to watch meetings and actually showed up after the election to see how the committee entered executive session, the formal name for closed-door meetings. He said the committee did not follow proper procedure on that occasion because it did not enter an open meeting before adjourning to executive session.

Deso said he will suggest at the next

meeting that executive sessions be held after regular meetings instead of before meetings as is currently done. Deso said this would mean more people would see

how the committee operates and this might discourage inappropriate discussions from taking place in private.

Deso said he understands the need for the committee to meet in secret and is not concerned with the quality of the meeting notes. He wants the committee to be forthcoming as soon as possible, which he said simply requires members who want to be forthcoming.

"If we can get the committee to do what they ought to do by the law, I would be happy," he said.



Debbie Silberstein

Keeping score on coaches

New evaluation system supported, faulted as some question decision to cut ties on 18-year soccer coach

By Ben Hellman

Some Andover High School coaches say they are frightened over what kind of a precedent is being set in the case of Dick Loschi. Loschi was told he would not return next season as girls varsity soccer coach — a position he has held for 18 years.

But at the heart of the Loschi matter is a new evaluation system for coaches. While some coaches have criticized the way the system was implemented, many believe the system will provide coaches with more protection than did the informal process that was in place previously.

Co-Athletic Director Dave Nichols said the issue of confidentiality makes it difficult to discuss Loschi's specific situation with anyone. However, while Loschi has said he was not told the reason he would not return, Nichols said he and co-athletic director Brian McNally did discuss the reasons with Loschi. "There was quite a lengthy discussion," said Nichols.

Nichols said coaches knew about the new evaluation system in the fall and did not become concerned with it until people heard that Loschi was asked not to return. Nichols pointed out that the evaluation is being piloted this spring and the Andover teachers union has agreed to it. "The union felt the evaluation was a good thing to go through," said Nichols.

All spring coaches were called to a meeting about the evaluation and given a copy of materials they needed to start the season, so they could see what they would be evaluated on, said Nichols.

Art Iworsley has coached and taught in Andover for more than 30 years. He is an assistant coach for spring track and also coaches indoor track and girls volleyball. After seeing what happened to Loschi, Iworsley said coaches are looking around and wondering who is next. "This could happen to any one of us," he said.

Iworsley said he now has a hard time separating the new evaluation process from the way it was implemented, and from the situation with Loschi. "I think it was all the approach of it," said Iworsley. Iworsley is troubled because he believes Loschi was not told what he did wrong and was not given time to fix whatever was not meeting the athletics directors' standards. Iworsley was also bothered that coaches were never spoken to before the new system was established.

"I see good points to being evaluated," said Iworsley. He said an irony of the new system is that as a three-sport coach he will be evaluated three times each year to every one time he is evaluated as a teacher.

Head girls and boys track coach Peter

New evaluation guidelines

The new coaching evaluation judges coaches on three main areas, "professional and personal relationships," "coaching performance," and "related coaching responsibilities" with 10 to 20 specific issues for each of these.

Some specific points under personal and professional relationships are: "develops rapport with other teachers, coaches and administrators," "cooperates and communicates with parents during the entire year," and "maintains suitable sideline conduct at games towards players, officials and other workers."

Under coaching performance, these are some specific points: "develops respect by example in appearance, manners, behavior, language and conduct during a contest," "establishes the fundamental philosophy, skills, and techniques to be taught by the staff," and "team performance consistent with quality of athletes available."

The athletic directors can check "effective," "needs improvement," or "unsatisfactory." They also can give comments or refrain from including a response if specific points do not apply, or if the directors have not observed the coach on all points.

— Ben Hellman

Comeau has coached for 15 years. He graduated from Andover High School, went to college and came right back to Andover to coach. He is not against being evaluated, but also has been worried about what is happening with Loschi. "Who's to say I'm not the next one to go?" said Comeau.

Comeau said if what happened to Loschi is the result of parents' complaints, it could lead to coaches feeling pressured to follow the desires of politically connected parents rather than to coach as they see fit. "In athletic towns, you're always going to have trouble with parents," said Comeau.

Girls varsity softball coach Stephanie Ragucci is an eight-year coach and Andover High School teacher. She said she is in favor of evaluations, though she has been frightened by what happened to Loschi. "I think evaluations are a good idea. I think that everybody needs to be accountable," said Ragucci. Ragucci said an official evaluation could give coaches the security of a process.

Ragucci also said there always will be parents who think they know better than the coach about how to run a team. "Being a teacher and being a coach is a tough thing. There's always someone not happy with how you do your job," she said.

ALIVE IN '05



A demolished car placed in front of Andover High School this week was meant to remind students about the dangers of careless driving on prom night. Andover High School's prom is tomorrow night, Friday, May 14.

BOOK REVIEW

Lemony Snicket: The Unauthorized Autobiography

BY LEMONY SNICKET

Reviewed by John Chartier and James Caron

This week, 14-year-old Andover residents John and James review a new book, primarily aimed at readers of the Series of Unfortunate Events books.

Lemony Snicket has been a literary figure shrouded in dark mystery. Being the author of the ever popular Series of Unfortunate Events books, he has always made a point of keeping his identity secret, especially his private life (beyond his search for the Baudelaire children and Count Olaf). Now in *Lemony Snicket: The Unauthorized Autobiography*, readers will catch a rare and humorous glimpse into this dark author's life.

Lemony Snicket: The Unauthorized Autobiography is a complete account of the "misery" that has

befallen the author since the beginning of his life.

The reader will follow Lemony Snicket through the research behind the harrowing ordeal of the Baudelaire orphans, the main characters of the Series of Unfortunate Events books. Those who have read and enjoyed the *Unfortunate Events* books will enjoy getting an informative look behind-the-scenes into the "archives" of Snicket's research.

We recommend this book for those who have enjoyed *A Series of Unfortunate Events*. Although this is a fantastic read, if the reader didn't like any of Lemony Snicket's other books, this one will seem like another bore. To those who enjoyed the Snicket's other books however, this will serve as a great read!

Lemony Snicket has a special way of making the reader feel as though he is speaking directly to

him or her. His description and the "documents" presented in the book help readers to really connect to the characters in Snicket's other books.

Also, readers of the *Unfortunate Events* books will finally get some answers to a few nail-biting questions such as:

- What does V.E.D stand for?
- Who is Beatrice?

We give this book a solid 7 out of 10.

While it provides the readers with lots of information, at times it may overwhelm them with too much. The other problem is that readers have to have read Snicket's other books to understand the premise and information presented in this one. Overall, however, this book was a great, humorous read.

So put on one's best disguise and sneak down to a bookstore to pick up a copy of *Lemony Snicket: The Unauthorized Autobiography*.



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PERENNIAL OF THE WEEK
SOLOMAN'S SUE

Douglas J. Cooper, son of Stephen and Frances Cooper of 6 Rocky Hill Road, will graduate May 22 from St. Anselm College in Manchester, N.H. While a student at St. Anselm, Cooper was a student government senator, a member of Delta Epsilon Sigma, a Catholic national scholastic honor society, and Phi Alpha Theta, a history honor society.

Douglas J. Cooper

St. Anselm College recently nominated Douglas for inclusion in the 71st annual edition of *Who's Who in American Universities and Colleges*. Cooper will attend Franklin Pierce Law Center in Concord, N.H. in September, where he will be pursuing his juris doctorate degree.

Each spring the Alpha Delta Omicron chapter of Phi Theta Kappa at Middlesex Community College, the national honor society for two-year colleges, conducts ceremonies to initiate students who have maintained a 3.7 or higher grade-point average.

Middlesex Community College 2004 Phi Theta Kappa initiates from Andover are **Aurele Lalonde** and **Kim Zunino**.

To be considered for initiation, students must have completed 24 credits at the college.

Jillian Kenney of 52 Summer St., a student at Andover High, recently enrolled in the National Youth Leadership Forum on Medicine (NYLF/MED), taking place in Boston July 17 to July 26. Kenney will join 350 other high school students from around the country who demonstrate academic excellence, leadership potential and an interest in a career in medicine.

Throughout the 10-day forum, NYLF/MED will introduce Kenney to a variety of concepts in public health, medical ethics, research and general practice, and will include site visits to medical facilities and clinics. Students will engage in a simulation using problem-based learning, an educational method in which students will be presented a fictional patient's case history and must diagnose and develop a treatment plan for the patient.

Two Andover students were named to the Marist College dean's list in Poughkeepsie, N.Y. for the fall 2003 semester.

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Meghan Penny, the daughter of Bill and Laurie Penny, is a member of the class of 2006, majoring in business administration/marketing.

Christine B. Vanderheiden, the daughter of George and Sharon Vanderheiden, is a member of the class of 2006, majoring in business.

Andover resident **Sean Bartley** played the role of the cab driver in American University's Department of Performing Arts production of *Kiss Me, Kate* from March 24-27 at the Harold and Sylvia Greenberg Theatre.

Kiss Me, Kate is a musical that transports the audience to a 1948 production of Shakespeare's *Taming of the Shrew* and is a script by Sam and Bella Spewack with music and lyrics by Cole Porter. The production follows both the on and offstage relationship of a divorced couple playing opposite each other in lead roles.

Before coming to AU, Bartley, a freshman theater major in the College of Arts and Sciences, performed in multiple shows in Andover, including *Balcony, Shakespearian Comedies, The Eight Reindeer Monologues*, and *Bound*.

Bartley, the son of Bill Bartley and Diana Hayes, graduated last year from Andover High School.

Joshua C. Coates, son of Sandra and Douglas Coates of Farwood Drive, and **Brian J. Crowley**, son of Anita and Daniel Crowley of Roulston Circle, have been named to Phi Beta Kappa at the University of Massachusetts Amherst.

Phi Beta Kappa honors

recent graduates and current juniors and seniors who demonstrate outstanding academic achievement in the humanities and fine arts, natural sciences and mathematics, and social and behavioral sciences. The chapter at UMass Amherst was founded in 1963.

Coates is a member of the class of 2004 majoring in sociology. He is a member of the Phi Kappa Phi national honor society as well as a recipient of the Junior of the Year Award from the sociology department. Coates graduated from Andover High School in 2000.

Crowley is a member of the class of 2004 majoring in biology. He is a member of the Alpha Lambda Delta, Phi Kappa Phi, and Golden Key national honor societies. He also graduated from Andover High School in 2000.

Judith Rogers of Andover, principal of the Beal Early Childhood Center in Shrewsbury, was elected to the board of directors of the Massachusetts Elementary School Principals' Association Inc. (MESPA) for 2003-04. She will serve as Worcester County director.

In this capacity, Rogers will serve with other principals from around the state to develop programs and provide advocacy for principals.

MESPA is the professional association for elementary and middle school principals across the state, and is the largest administrator association in the Commonwealth. Its major focus is to provide professional development, representation and advocacy for the 1,500 elementary and middle school principals in Massachusetts.

Rogers, a recent graduate of the MESPA/Boston College EdD program for administrators, earned her degree in educational administration.

The following students enrolled in the S.I. Newhouse School of Public Communications at Syracuse University were named to the dean's list for the fall 2003 semester.

James Michael Checrallah, 11 Countryside Way, is a senior majoring in broadcast journalism and history.

Laura O'Connell, 6 Fairfax Drive, is a sophomore majoring in advertising and finance.

To qualify for the dean's list, students must achieve at least a 3.4 grade-point average (on a 4.0 scale) during the semester.

The Newhouse School offers degree programs in seven disciplines: advertising; broadcast journalism; magazine journalism; newspaper journalism; public relations; television, radio, and film; and visual and interactive communications.

The following Andover students were named to the dean's list at Salem State College for the fall 2003 academic semester: **Alistair L. Weida**, **Elizabeth J. Klayman**, **Jeanne M. Kenny** and **Torey J. Nicholson**. Students are required to carry 12 credits or more and attain a grade-point average of at least 3.0 to be placed on the dean's list.

Lea Campbell, of 17 Windemere Drive, a member of the Andover High class of 2003 attending the University of Connecticut in Storrs, Conn., was named to the dean's list for the fall semester.

SCHOOL LUNCH MENUS

Here's what's for lunch in the Andover public schools next week, May 17-21:

Elementary schools

Monday: Turkey bagel sandwich with fries, baked chicken nuggets, nachos with taco meat and cheese, fruit, veggie and milk.

Tuesday: Tacos with salsa and rice, rotini with meat sauce, meatballs and roll, pizza stick with pretzel, fruit, veggie and milk.

Wednesday: Meatball sub with fries, salad bar with fudgesicle, mozzarella sticks with puffs, fruit, carrots and milk.

Thursday: Pizza ring, french toast and ham sticks, baked chicken nuggets, fruit, veggie and milk.

Friday: Roast pork with potato and carrots, hot dog with beans, pizza with fries, fruit, veggie, jello and milk.

Doherty Middle School

Monday: Baked macaroni and cheese, stuffed crust pizza, baked chicken nuggets, fruit, veggie and milk.

Tuesday: Barbecued ribs over rice, two hot dogs with chips, mozzarella sticks with fries, fruit, veggie and milk.

Wednesday: Baked pork chops with potato,

bakery pizza, nachos with taco meat and cheese, fruit, veggie, jello with topping and milk.

Thursday: Hot turkey sandwich with fries, top your own tacos, chicken McSchool, fruit, veggie and milk.

Friday: Tuna sub with pasta salad, stuffed crust pizza, baked chicken nuggets, fruit, veggie and milk.

Secondary schools

Monday: Chicken salad sandwich with pasta salad, chicken, broccoli and ziti, stuffed crust pizza, fruit, veggie and milk.

Tuesday: Two beefy burritos with salsa and rice, stuffed shells/lasagna, bakery pizza, fruit, veggie and milk.

Wednesday: Chicken McSchool, meatball sub with chips, stuffed crust pizza, fruit, veggie and milk.

Thursday: American chop suey, top your own tacos, bakery pizza, fruit, veggie, brownie and milk.

Friday: Hot turkey sandwich with fries, spaghetti and meatballs, stuffed crust pizza, fruit, veggie and milk.

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Sports

AHS ROUNDUP

Track teams run away with trophies

Other streaking teams include boys volleyball, girls lacrosse, softball, girls & boys tennis

By Rick Harrison

Playing the dual role of both talented and rude host, the Andover High girls and boys track and field teams emerged with most of the hardware at the 44th annual Collins/McIntyre Andover Boosters Invitational Meet at the Eugene V. Lovely oval.

With 15 Eastern Mass. schools competing for titles, the Andover girls placed first in their division, the boys were second and the two AHS squads won the overall championship which is determined by combining the girls and boys points.

The Lady Warriors, sparked by Amanda Carlson and Pierce sisters Caroline and Brittany, chalked up 88 points for a comfortable 16-point margin over runner-up Tewksbury (69).

The AHS boys 74 points trailed only Central Catholic at 84, and the combined total of 162 points was well ahead of second-place Central at 135.5.

Schools in the field included Haverhill, Methuen, North Reading, Reading, Everett, Central Catholic, Tewksbury, Chelmsford, Whitman-Hanson, North Andover, Winthrop, Newton South, Lawrence, Brookline, Westford Academy and host Andover.

The Outstanding Performer Trophy for the girls was awarded to versatile Meghan Mooney of Tewksbury, who placed first in the 300 hurdles, second in the pole vault and anchored the third-place 4x100 sprint relay.

Andover received the Sean Donovan Trophy as the overall champ.

Currently riding win streaks are the softball, girls and boys tennis, girls lacrosse and boys volleyball teams.

Both tennis squads and girls lacrosse qualified for the MIAA Tournament this week, while softball and boys volleyball are on the verge of earning Division I North postseason berths.



Above, Ian McMahan spikes the ball as Andover bested Westford Academy, 2-1, at home. At right, Jake Kleinman taps the ball over the net for the Warriors. After winning four straight, the team is hoping for a tournament invitation.



Kostakis in the discus (92'7") and Whelan in the shot put (40'10").

Andover boys 94 Haverhill 51

Triple winner Val Latta, and another productive effort by the Golden Warriors, took the boys to the triple crown (400, 800, 1600 meters) with 94 and 300 intermediate points each.

Andover dominated the field events, sweeping the shot put, discus, pole vault, and high jump, and taking the HJ by 48.18 inches. The Warriors swept the 110 hurdles.

Kyle MacKenzie won the 120-meter shot put with a personal best throw of 49'1" while Mike Gustin (27'5") and Mike Cerchione (44'1") produced personal best throws.

Justin Stevens won the discus (189') followed by Nate Baker (184') and Alex Perry (182').

Following Latta in the triple jump were Matt Hill (39'2") and Adam Cuomo (37'5"), while 2nd in the 110 hurdles were Chris Cole (15.6) and Cuomo (15.9).

High jumper were Baker (5'8"), Mark Radinski (5'6") and Kevin O'Brien (5'4").

Dave Cerchione placed first in the discus throw (186'5") and second in the javelin (181'5").

Other individual winners for Andover were Ryan Donahue (100 meters, 10.9), Pierre Hage (200 meters, 23.1), Robert Kaufman (400 meters, 51.9) and twin miler Ryan Durkin with an excellent 9:54.0 clocking.

Cole was also second in the 300 hurdles (41.1) and third in the discus (182'10").

Runners-up for AHS included pole vaulter Gabe Greeley (10'6"), Vasil Kostakis (400 meters, 53.4) and miler James Primes (4:42.9).

Also placing third in the heats were Perry (100 meters, 11.6), Matt Mamy (800 meters, 2:05.2) and Sheldon (200 meters, 23.9).

MVC FROSH/SOPH MEET Girls Division

The Pierce sisters were all over the performance sheets, with two individual wins each and a relay victory in competition at Haverhill Stadium.

There were no team scores kept as AHS emerged with six wins and 16 top-five finishes.

Caroline Pierce placed first in the long jump (16'6") and 100 meters (10.6 seconds), while sophomore twin Brittany won the triple jump (33'5") and 100 meter high hurdles (15.9).

The talented pair teamed with Laura Wareham and Chrissy Perocchi to finish tops in the 4x100 sprint relay (52.4).

Adding a sixth victory for the Lady Warriors was Jen Merinder with a 48.4 clocking in the 300 meter intermediate hurdles.

Second-place finishers were shot putter Sarah Thompson (28'4") and sprinter Jess Prencipe in the 200 meters (27.5).

Merinder and Prencipe were joined by Kelly McGowan on the third-place 4x400 relay (4:28.5), while Merinder also took third in the triple jump (31'7").

Two-miler Courtney Hamer placed third (12:45.2) and Casey O'Dea was third in the javelin with a 63'7" throw.

Fourths were contributed by high jumper Alanna Perry (4'4"), 100 meter hurdler Caroline Hodge (18.8) and Lauren Barry in the javelin (60'9").

High jumper Sarah Kwolyk placed fifth (4'2").

Boys Division

Andover had three winners in the annual meet at Lowell's Cawley Memorial Stadium.

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TRACK & FIELD

In Merrimack Valley Conference Division 1 dual-meet action, the undefeated AHS girls (5-0) toppled Haverhill, 97-48, while the once-beaten boys (4-1) handled the Hillies by a similar margin, 94-51.

The two Warrior teams also performed well at the Merrimack Valley Conference Freshman/Sophomore Meets held recently at Lowell and Haverhill Stadiums, combining for nine first-place finishes.

Schedule

Both AHS teams competed at Chelmsford yesterday, after *Townsmen* pre-stripe, and the final MVC 1 dual meet is next Tuesday (May 18) at Lovely Field against powerhouse Central Catholic, whose boys are undefeated.

Andover is the host site for the annual Eastern Mass. State Track Coaches Association Class A Relays this Saturday at Lovely Field (9:30 p.m.).

COLLINS/MCINTYRE BOOSTERS INVITATIONAL Andover girls

The top six placers scored points, and highlighting the Lady Warriors' effort was a meet-record performance by the 4x100 sprint relay of Caroline Pierce, Amanda Carlson, Brittany Pierce and Jenny Dlesk.

Their blistering 49.96 time eclipsed their own Boosters' mark of 50.50 seconds set last year.

Earning the lone individual win for the team champions was senior Capt. Carlson (200 meters, 26.89).

Brittany Pierce was second in the 100 meter hurdles (16.04) and sixth in the triple jump (32'9"), while twin sister Caroline Pierce contributed a third in the 100 meters (13.15) and fifth in the long jump (15'9").

Also placing second were Jenny Dlesk (100 meters, 13.02), triple jumper Kelly Morrissey (34'6") and Felicia Thompson in the discus throw (109'7").

Brittany Moriarty was third, less than a second behind the winner in the 800 meters (2:22.15), while other thirds went to 300-meter hurdler Jen Merinder (48.33) and long jumper Meghan Keefe (16'2").

Taking fourth was pole vaulter Libby Fortier (8'0"), and earning fifths were miler Michelle Pirro (5:37.95) and high jumper/Capt. Allison Kerivan (4'10").

Rounding out the scorers in sixth was Matta Kostakis who tossed the discus 91'10".

Several other AHS girls did not score but turned in solid performances.

Charlene Fielding finished seventh in the long jump (15'3") and 10th in the triple jump (32'4").

Competing in the two-mile were Courtney Hamer (10th, 12:38.19), Jazzy Dingle (12th, 12:57.47) and Christy Nigh (15th, 13:09.30).

In the 300 meter hurdles, Allison Kerivan finished 9th (52.09) and Lauren Vivian 10th (52.70).

Jessie Shields was eighth in the shot put (30'6") and Corinne Welsh ninth in the high jump (4'8").

Andover boys

Picking up the only win for the Golden Warriors was Capt. Vin Errico in the 300-meter intermediate hurdles (40.20).

Capt. Ryan Durkin ran an outstanding 9:40.54 two-mile as a very close runner-up, less than one second behind, to winner Mark Garcia of Everett (9:39.71).

Also finishing second were freshman high jumper Nate Baker (5'10") and Chris Cole in the discus (137'5").

The 4x100 meter sprint relay was sec-

ond (44.05), while the 4x800 relay took third (8:19.34) and the 4x400 placed fifth (3:36.51).

Also third were sprinter and Capt. Ryan Donahue (100 meters, 11.56) and shot putter Mike Gustin (47'7").

Capturing fourths were Robert Kaufman (400 meters, 52.07) and shot putter Kyle MacKenzie (46'9").

The locals were fifth and sixth in the 110-meter hurdles with Chris Cole (16.05) and Adam Cuomo (16.40) respectively.

Rounding out the scoring in sixth was Errico in the triple jump (41'4").

Also performing well in the 100 meters were Jason Sheldon (13th, 12.00) and Jeff Belardo (15th, 12.06).

Pierre Hage was 10th (23.79) and Nate Baker 12th (24.31) in the 200 meters, while Vasil Kostakis took 12th (53.28) and Garrett Rayner 14th (54.29) in the 400.

Mike Baldwin was 11th in the 800 meters (2:09.82), miler James Primes (4:54.3) and Brad Sherman (4:57.20) took 17th and 19th respectively, while two-miler Sasha Seletsky ran 10:44.20 for 21st.

Greg Moore was 18th in the 300 hurdles (45.89) and Capt. Matt Hill 25th (47.27).

High jumper Mark Radinski finished 10th (5'6"), while pole vaulters Gabe Greeley (10'6") and Andy Ivanovich (9'6") were tied for ninth and tied for 12th.

Triple jumpers Hill (9th, 39'7") and Cuomo (10th, 39'2") did well, and in the long jump Sheldon placed 16th (17'9"), Alex Perry tied for 17th (17'8") and Belardo was 21st (17'6").

Mike Cerchione threw the shot 44'1" for eighth, in the discus Geoff Stevens placed 15th and John Kim 17th, and javelin throwers Erik Fosse (124'4") and Jon Federico finished 16th and 21st.

MVC DUAL MEETS Andover girls 97 Haverhill 48

Leading the way as multiple event winners once again were consistent Felicia Thompson, in the shot put (34'10") and discus (116'6") throws, along with Brittany Pierce in the triple jump (33'8") and 100-meter high hurdles (16.2).

Andover swept the triple jump, where the top three were only 11 inches apart, and the 100 hurdles.

Contributing a win each in the field events were pole vaulter Libby Fortier (7'6"), long jumper Meghan Keefe (15'10") and high jumper Allison Kerivan (4'8").

Placing first on the track were sprinters Caroline Pierce (100 meters, 12.4) and Amanda Carlson (200 meters, 26.3), along with Brittany Moriarty (800 meters, 2:22.7), miler Michelle Pirro (5:53.5) and 300 intermediate hurdler Jen Merinder (47.4).

Andover won the 4x100 sprint relay with top team Caroline and Brittany Pierce, Jenny Dlesk and Carlson (51.1).

Courtney Hamer ran a tough double, placing second in the two-mile (12:33.0) and third in the mile (5:56.1).

Also earning second for the Lady Warriors in the field were long jumper Caroline Pierce (15'0"), pole vaulter Kenann Bartley (7'0"), Kasey O'Dea (javelin, 69'10"), triple jumper Kelly Morrissey (33'7") and high jumper Corinne Welsh (4'6").

Keefe added a second in the 100 hurdles (16.7), Dlesk in the 100 meters (12.6) and Emily Korba the 400 meters (63.9).

Completing event sweeps by finishing third were triple jumper Kerivan (32'7") and 100 hurdler Merinder (17.0).

Kerivan was also third in the 300 hurdles (51.2), along with throwers Jessie Shields in the shot (30'2"), Matta

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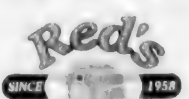
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AHS ROUNDUP

■ TRACK & FIELD

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There were no team scores kept. Sophomore Adam Cuomo blitzed the field in the 110-meter high hurdles, with his winning time of 16.2 seconds almost three full seconds faster than runner-up Tim Tok of Lowell (18.9).

Freshman Nate Baker contributed an individual win by clearing the bar at 5'10" in the high jump, which was four inches better than second-place finisher Brian Huntress of Dracut.

The 4x400 relay of Brad Durkin, Greg Moore, Mike Baldwin and Ben Ossoff broke the tape in 3:52.0. Sophomore Pierre Hage was runner-up in the 200 meters (23.4) and sophomore Ossoff in the 800 meters (2:08.7).

Also second was the 4x100 sprint relay of Jason Sheldon, Chris Slater, Baker and Jeff Beardo.

Third places went to freshman 300-meter intermediate hurdler Moore (46.8), sophomore sprinter Sheldon in the 100 meters (11.6), sophomore Baker in the 200 meters (24.1), sophomore two-miler Peter Brown (10:59.9) and sophomore shot putter John Kane (40.7).

Long jump fourth were Cuomo in the triple jump (38'10"), Beardo in the 100 meters (11.7) and Baldwin in the 800 meters (2:08.9).

Sheldon also placed sixth in the 400 meters (1:17.10).

High jumper jumper Sayo Momo placed sixth (4'9").

BOYS VOLLEYBALL

The Andover High boys varsity volleyball team made out of its recent season with a 2-0 win over Methuen in the Division 1 title game.

The victory started a three-match losing streak and spring training for the Golden Warriors. The team's record was 1-1, with a 2-0 win over Westford Academy in the Division 2 title game and a 1-0 win.

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AHS finished with a 2-0 win over Westford Academy in the Division 2 title game and a 1-0 win.

On paper, it was a tough day as the teams left on the schedule are MVC leader Haverhill (14-1), which the Warriors play twice (Wednesday at 5 and St. John's Prep at 7).

Andover's record is 5-0, with a 2-0 win over Westford Academy in the Division 2 title game and a 1-0 win.

second in MVC Division 2. The Golden Warriors are currently runner-up in the division by a wide margin so this road to the tourney looks very promising.

Schedule

The brutal stretch run begins next Monday night when Chelmsford comes to the Dunn Gym (6 p.m.).

AHS is at Haverhill next Wednesday, home versus St. John's Prep of Danvers on Thursday and home against Haverhill in the regular season finale on Monday, May 24.

Andover 2
Dracut 0

Although the visiting Golden Warriors got off to their usual slow start, they perked up quickly and rolled to the streak-breaking 30-20, 30-19 victory.

"It took us awhile to get into the groove, but once we did we played with energy and purpose," said coach George Sullivan.

Jake Kleinman continued to perform like an All-Conference player, posting 10 kills and two aces with 25-for-29 hitting and 15-for-15 serving.

Alex Levine turned in his sharpest varsity performance with 14-for-14 hitting, three kills and 3-for-3 serving.

Lan McMahon contributed four kills and 8-for-8 hitting, while providing one kill each were Sean Cummings, Chris James (9-for-9 hitting), Darren McRoy (5-for-5), Matt Jacobs (4-for-4) and Jerry Mohan (4-for-4).

Joining Kleinman as strong servers were Sam Silverman (9-for-9), Cummings (9-for-10, one ace), James (9-for-10), McRoy (7-for-8) and Jacobs (6-for-6).

Defensive standouts were Silverman (20-for-24 passing) and Pardeep Thandi (16-for-17).

As a team AHS finished 69-for-76 hitting, with 22 kills and 53-for-57 serving with four aces.

The Andover JV's rolled to a 2-0 triumph in the prelim, and top hitters in the 30-19, 30-11 sweep were Matt Jacobs (11-for-11, five kills), Luke Bruno (10-for-13, three kills) and Pat Hughes (9-for-11, three kills).

Adam Spang was 14-for-14 serving and defensive standouts included Tyler Carroll, Mike Giannopoulos and Pat McGovern. Giannopoulos also set well.

Andover 2
Westford Academy 1

The Golden Warriors' turn-

around continued with this hard-fought 30-22, 29-31, 30-20 victory over visiting Westford at the Dunn Gym.

"We were up-and-down the whole match," said coach Sullivan. "We were strong in the hitting department — but we also fell asleep at times."

Jake Kleinman had a monster match with a season-high 21 kills on 46-for-50 hitting. He also went 10-for-11 serving.

"We kept going back to Jake and he kept coming through," lauded Sullivan. "Their blockers had trouble handling his returns."

Lan McMahon was 12-for-17 hitting, with five kills, and Jerry Mohan went 11-for-15 with three kills.

Other solid hitters were Alex Levine (10-for-17), Darren McRoy (6-for-7, two kills), Sean Cummings (5-for-9, one kill) and Chris James (4-for-7, one kill).

McRoy was 17-for-17 and James 16-for-17 serving, both with one ace, and Levine went 12-for-12 with two aces.

Matt Jacobs finished 14-for-15, with one ace, and Sam Silverman 15-for-15.

Silverman added a strong defensive effort, 20-for-21 passing, and Pardeep Thandi was 18-for-24 passing.

Andover finished the match 87-for-90 serving and 95-for-123 hitting with five aces and 33 kills.

There was no JV prelim.

Andover 2
Methuen 1

Two weeks earlier the Rangers stunned Andover, 2-0, in a vacation week makeup match.

This one started out the same way, with Methuen (4-11) winning the first game, 30-21.

"It was discouraging at the beginning," said coach Sullivan. "But the coaches and players had a heart-to-heart discussion before the second game and things turned around nicely. We blocked much better and played with more spirit and purpose."

The revitalized Golden Warriors won game two, 30-18, and nailed down the victory by taking game three, 30-22.

Sullivan lauded the efforts of Pardeep Thandi, Sam Silverman and Jake Kleinman.

"Pardeep and Sam were very positive and upbeat the whole match," said the coach. "They were trying to light a fire under the other players. And Jake is always the center of the offense. He works hard consistently and plays through his fatigue."

Juniors Thandi and Silverman turned in solid defensive efforts, the former 17-for-19 passing and the latter 10-for-10 serving.

Kleinman finished 34-for-39 hitting and 22-for-23 serving, with 14 kills and one ace, and he also passed well.

Other leading hitters were Alex Levine (11-for-15, five kills), Sean Cummings (3-for-3, three kills), Lan McMahon (17-for-22, one kill), Jerry Mohan (9-for-14, one kill), Chris James (8-for-12, one kill) and Darren McRoy (5-for-7).

McRoy was 14-for-14 serving, Cummings 10-for-11, James 10-for-12, Levine 9-for-9 and Mohan 9-for-14.

Matt Jacobs contributed 8-for-10 passing.

Coach Dennis Aikman's undefeated AHS junior varsity moved to 14-0 with a resounding 2-0 victory in the prelim, winning the games 30-16 and 30-22.

Strong hitting came from Alex Day and Pat Hughes, both 9-for-10 with six kills, and Luke Bruno 12-for-14 with six kills. Serving well were Bruno (11-for-11, one ace), Mike Giannopoulos (10-for-10) and Pat McGovern (9-for-9), while defensive standouts included Tyler Carroll (11-for-12 passing), Adam Spang (11-for-13) and McGovern.

SOFTBALL

Junior mound ace Caitlin Carpentier pitched two-hit ball, and Lauren Vieira drove in both runs, as the Andover High varsity softball team nipped Merrimack Valley Conference Division 1 title challenger Lowell, 2-1 in nine innings.

Three days later Carpentier came back with a two-hit shutout as the Lady Warriors blanked another MVC 1 team, Billerica, by a convincing 6-0 score at the Indians' Marshall Middle School field.

Those impressive wins, coupled with a 17-1 romp over Notre Dame Academy of Tyngsboro, improved the Lady Warriors' record to 6-5 overall and 5-3 as runner-up in MVC 2.

They have inched within 1 games of division leader Dracut, whose 3-2 loss to Central Catholic earlier this week dropped the Middies to 6-1 in league play.

"The win over Lowell put us back on track for a tournament berth," said AHS coach Stephanie Ragucci. "It was huge. One we absolutely had to have."

"We've experienced a season-long problem trying to score runs —

but the whole conference is in the same boat. Everyone is having trouble offensively."

The only teams winning consistently are MVC 1 leader Chelmsford (9-2, 8-0 league) and Dracut (8-3 overall).

In its first 11 games AHS allowed only 27 runs, an average of 2.5 per contest, and held the opposition to one run or less five times. Two of the losses were 1-0 and 2-1.

The locals have scored 45 runs — but 17 came in one game. Andover has been shut out three times and held to two runs or less in seven games.

"It's taken longer than I thought for us to come together as a group," said Ragucci. "But I believe we're in sync now. We've beaten some good teams, like Lowell, and we've given others like Chelmsford (2-1 loss) trouble."

"We've been close and competitive in every game thanks to Carpey (pitcher Carpentier). And we're starting to get some breaks we couldn't buy in some of our earlier losses."

Schedule

AHS hosted Lawrence yesterday, after *Townsmen* presstime, and tonight (Thursday) the Lady Warriors are at MVC 2 leader Dracut (7 p.m.).

Next Monday Central Catholic comes to AHS and Tuesday the locals have a makeup game at Haverhill.

A non-league makeup with Nazareth Academy of Wakefield is set for next Thursday at AHS (all games 3:30 p.m.).

The annual Methuen Invitational Tournament is scheduled for the weekend of May 22-23, with Andover facing North Andover in the semifinal round (Lawrence and Methuen complete the four-team field).

Andover 6
Billerica 0

Caitlin Carpentier carried a no-hitter into the fourth and allowed only two scratch singles, an infield dribbler in the fourth and Texas League blooper in the seventh.

She struck out five and walked one to out-duel Billerica's Jenn Razari, who tossed a complete-game six-hitter, whiffed seven and walked four. Only two of the AHS runs were earned.

The Lady Warriors broke a scoreless deadlock with four unearned runs in the top of the sixth.

"It looked like we might go the whole afternoon with neither team

scoring a run," said Ragucci. "It just felt like that kind of game."

Andover's four-run sixth came without the benefit of a hit.

Emily Farmer walked, Meagan Merinder and Lauren Vieira reached on back-to-back errors to load the bases, and a walk to Liz Pallotta forced home the eventual winning run.

Groundouts by Emily Cummings and Carpentier chased Merinder and Vieira across, and Pallotta later scored on a steal.

Maria Nasta and Farmer launched the seventh with consecutive singles to center, and both runners moved into scoring position on Merinder's infield groundout.

Nasta was nailed at the plate as she tried to score on Vieira's grounder, but a delayed double steal brought home a run before Pallotta singled to right-center for the final tally.

Farmer finished the game 2-for-3 and both she and Vieira scored twice.

Pallotta contributed two RBI and was a defensive standout a short-stop.

"Carpey" was sharp on the mound," said Ragucci. "She made a couple of nice fielding plays to help herself."

BMHS leadoff batter Jackie Gallant and Amy Simmons had the Indians' hits.

Andover 2
Lowell 1 (9 inns.)

In the best of many fine performances this spring, winning pitcher Caitlin Carpentier fired a complete-game two-hitter with five strikeouts and no walks.

The teams were locked in a 1-1 tie entering the bottom of the ninth, where Holy Cross-bound Meagan Merinder ripped a one-out triple up the left-centerfield gap.

"Lauren (Vieira) was up next and I gave her the bunt sign," said Ragucci. "But I changed my mind because she's showed so much confidence at the plate the past few games."

Vieira responded to her coach's show of faith by slashing a hard grounder that Lowell shortstop Krisy Keegan knocked down but couldn't hold.

The ball rolled into shallow left for a single as Merinder raced home with the winning run.

"The difference in this game is we got key hits when we needed them," said coach Ragucci. "It was nice to see Meagan (Merinder) break out and hit the ball hard — and Lauren (Vieira) has been stroking the ball very well lately."

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AHS ROUNDUP

SOFTBALL

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Lowell inched ahead 1-0 in the second inning when Kathryn Trombly scored on a passed ball.

AHS tied it in the fourth as Emily Farmer drew a two-out walk, Merinder sliced a single to right field and Vieira ripped an RBI single to center.

It remained 1-1 until the ninth, Andover leaving a runner at third base in the fifth and at second in the eighth.

Merinder and Vieira had two hits each for the winners, while Carpentier also drilled a single.

The only two hits for the Red Raiders were singles by Natalie Shea and Courtne Leakeas.

Katie Hebert also pitched well for Lowell, working 8¹/₂ innings of five-hit ball with seven strikeouts and two walks.

Defensively, Maria Nasta was a stand-out at second base and Lindsey Timko took three potential hits away from LHS batters in right field.

"Lindsey did something very unusual," said Ragucci. "She charged three ground balls and threw the batter out at first base. You might see that once or twice in a season — but never three times in the same game."

Krissy Keegan was victimized twice by Timko and Caitlin Barry once.

"Second base is a difficult position," said Ragucci, referring to Nasta. "You can't 'hide' anyone there. The fielder has to cover on bunts — and a lot of righty batters swing late and hit grounders to the right side. You need someone who's quick and sure-handed — and Maria is getting the job done nicely."

Andover 17

Notre Dame Academy 1

The Lady Warriors broke out of their prolonged hitting slump with a vengeance, pounding out 16 safeties (three doubles, triple) and scoring in every inning before the game was halted after six innings by the 15-run mercy rule.

Andover batted around in the first and sixth innings, scoring four and five runs respectively, and added two runs in the second, two in the third, one in the fourth and three in the fifth.

The locals had managed only 20 runs combined in their eight previous games.

Pitcher Caitlin Carpentier, who finally had a comfortable cushion to work with, tossed a complete-game four-hitter with six strikeouts and two walks.

"If only we had scored a few of these runs in each of our losses (all close), we might be undefeated," said coach Ragucci.

"A game like this is what we needed. We could have let down and gotten sloppy after taking the big lead. But we didn't. That's a good sign."

Capt. Lauren Vieira opened the floodgates with a two-out, bases-loaded three-run double in the bottom of the first.

Vieira later drilled her second double, finishing the game with five RBI and two runs scored.

Emily Farmer had a breakout 4-for-4 game with a triple, three singles, two RBI and four runs scored.

Maria Nasta looked at home in the second slot, going 3-for-5 with an RBI and four runs scored.

Carpentier helped herself by contributing a double, single and three ribbies.

Freshman Becky Cairns went 2-for-2, with two RBI and a run scored.

Also hitting safely, with a single each, were leadoff batter Lindsey Timko (two runs scored), Carolyn Ciampa (run) and Maggie Hanlon (RBI, run).

Anastasia Sullivan drove in a run and scored one, Capt. Liz Pallotta added an RBI and Hannah Brady scored.

"Basically we singled them to death," said coach Ragucci. "And it was fun to watch."

Carpentier received solid defensive support from outfielders Meagan Merinder and Timko, both of whom gunned down an NDA runner at the plate.

In the first inning, leftfielder Merinder grabbed a fly ball and fired to the plate to double up a runner trying to tag and score from third.

Rightfielder Timko made her play in the fourth, scooping up a hit and nailing a player trying to score from second base.

Carpentier lost her shutout bid in the sixth when the Lancers' Jen Shepard singled and scored the lone run.

Shepard finished the game 2-for-2, while Kelly Berry and Nikki Dumond added a hit apiece.

GIRLS LACROSSE

Making it look easy for the second straight year, the defending North/Cape League champion Andover High girls varsity lacrosse team improved to 10-1 with a series of lopsided romps over Manchester/Essex (19-3), Pentucket Regional of West Newbury (21-3), Danvers (18-5), Marblehead (16-5), Beverly (11-4) and Hamilton-Wenham (21-4).

The tourney-bound Lady Warriors also topped Ipswich, 15-8, and previously-undefeated North Andover, 15-11, in a pair of back-to-back showdown clashes this week.

The nine-game win streak qualified Andover, now 29-2 the past two years, for the Division I Tournament.

"We're playing very well," said first-year AHS coach Emily Frey. "Until this week we had faced the easier part of the schedule, a mixture of new and established teams."

"Things are tougher the second half of the season and we're looking forward to it. The wins over Ipswich and North Andover are a terrific start."

Ipswich entered the AHS game with only one loss, 14-12 to Billerica last week, and a tie while North Andover had been unbeaten.

Further down the line, in the final two regular season games, Billerica (May 24,

away at night) and non-league Concord-Carlisle (May 26, home at night) should also provide stiff tests.

Schedule

The locals host Newburyport tonight (Thursday) under the lights at Lovely Field (7 p.m.) in the traditional Senior Night game, and Saturday afternoon AHS will play at Tyngsboro (4 p.m.) less than 24 hours after the prom and all-night party.

Lamond on fire

Junior attack Maggie Lamond ranked among the top scorers in Eastern Massachusetts after 11 games, boasting 42 goals and 31 assists for 73 points.

Despite being held in check by North Andover and marked very closely, double- and triple-teamed in most games, Lamond is smashing all the single-season scoring records for the fledgling AHS program.

"Maggie has really good footwork," said coach Frey. "From the restraining line to the goal she picks up the pace well."

"She controls the ball with her outstanding stickwork, and she knows when to deke and feign the defense and the goalie. Her shot is accurate and hard — like a cannon."

Lamond had never played the game before her freshman season.

"She's come a long way in three years," said Frey. "She's a natural."

Capt. Stephanie Sweeney is also a consistent offensive threat for the locals with 28 goals.

Andover 15

North Andover 11

The two best teams in the area collided Tuesday afternoon, and a strong second half by the visiting Lady Warriors enabled the locals to pull away for the victory.

North Andover became the first team to hold Maggie Lamond off the scoreboard, without a goal or assist, but the strategy left other AHS players unguarded as the Scarlet Knights swarmed the Andover standout every time she touched the ball.

"They had one girl all over Maggie the entire game — not giving her an inch — and at other times they surrounded her with four or five players," said coach Frey.

"But it definitely worked to our benefit. We're a well-balanced team. We have a number of players who can score consistently. They were too focused on Maggie and overall it hurt them."

Junior center Jacqui Munro led the AHS offense by pumping in five goals and Capt. Jeannie Lothrop finished with seven points on four goals, three assists.

Stephanie Sweeney and Rachel Fox netted two goals each, while junior attack Bryanna Casey had a goal and three assists.

Completing the AHS assault with a goal and assist each were Ali McCoy and Kate Nichols.

The archrivals traded goals throughout the first half, North Andover taking a brief 6-5 lead before the Lady Warriors struck twice in the closing minutes for a 7-6 edge

at the break.

"We took over in the second half," said Frey. "We didn't do anything differently. We play our same game every time out."

Goalender Elissa Slovin was tested time and again, finishing with 13 saves including eight in the first half and five in the second.

Coach Frey also lauded the outstanding efforts of Lothrop, Fox and Munro.

Andover 15

Ipswich 8

Maggie Lamond scored five goals, and assisted on six, for an 11-point afternoon as the Lady Warriors rolled out to a 10-4 halftime lead and then traded goals with visiting Ipswich (7-2-1).

Jacqui Munro contributed four goals, Ali McCoy a hat trick, Stephanie Sweeney had two and Kate Nichols a goal and assist.

Bryanna Casey passed out two assists and Jeannie Lothrop one.

Elissa Slovin played the whole way in net and finished with eight saves.

"Elissa played a fabulous game," said coach Frey. "Jacqui Munro was hungry on offense and turned in her best effort of the season. And Jessie Koffman was consistent and quick to the ball on defense."

Andover 21

Hamilton-Wenham 4

Maggie Lamond established a new single-game school record for points with 12, scoring five goals and assisting on seven others, as the Lady Warriors thrashed H-W in this morning game at the Doherty Middle School Field.

Stephanie Sweeney potted five goals and added an assist, while Jeannie Lothrop netted four goals.

Freshman attack Rachel Fox had two goals and Jacqui Munro, sophomore Casey Salois, junior defender Jessie Kaufman, Capt. Ali McCoy and junior defense-wing Kate Nichols all connected once.

Courtney Reed and Jessie Ragnio chalked up an assist each and all three goal-tenders — Lauren Barber, Leslie Barber and Elissa Slovin — saw action.

Andover led 10-3 at the half.

Andover 11

Beverly 4

AHS completed a season series sweep, which included an 11-5 victory in the opener for both teams, with this triumph at Hurd Stadium in Beverly.

Hat tricks by Stephanie Sweeney and Maggie Lamond powered the winners' attack, while Jacqui Munro notched two goals and Kate Nichols collected five points with a goal and four assists.

Bryanna Casey and Jeannie Lothrop contributed a goal each and Lamond also helped set up three scores.

Sophomore Elissa Slovin worked the first half in net and stopped eight of the 10 shots she faced. Lauren Barber made three saves in the second half.

"Ali McCoy played a strong game at center," said coach Frey. "She is very consistent, game in and game out, and tough

around the net

"When opposing teams double up on Lamond, Ali does a lot of things off the ball to help other players get free for scoring chances."

"After we took control of the game Beverly started to play rough," noted Frey. "We went on a couple of offensive tears, scoring goals in bunches, and they didn't like it. Our girls responded correctly by keeping their cool."

Andover 16

Marblehead 5

This game at Marblehead Middle School had extra meaning for 25-year-old coach Frey, a Marblehead resident who played her high school lacrosse for the Headers less than a decade ago.

Eight players had a hand in the scoring and made sure it was a triumphant homecoming for Frey.

Stephanie Sweeney pumped in four goals, while Maggie Lamond had three goals and three assists.

Chipping in with goals and an assist each were Bryanna Casey, Ali McCoy and Jeannie Lothrop.

Kate Nichols contributed a goal and three assists, Rachel Fox and Jacqui Munro a goal and assist apiece, and freshman McKenzie Bennett set up one goal.

Both AHS netminders were sharp, Elissa Slovin making four first-half saves and Leslie Barber six second-half saves.

Andover 21

Pentucket Regional 3

Maggie Lamond paced a multi-pronged attack with five goals as Andover raced to a prohibitive 10-0 halftime lead against the visiting Saxtons.

The lopsided victory also came in the first of three scheduled night games at home under the lights at Lovely Field.

"When you win them — night games are always fun," said coach Frey.

BASEBALL

After dropping a pair of recent games, the Andover High varsity baseball team finds itself in a logjam at the top of the very crowded Merrimack Valley Conference Division 1 standings.

Losses to Methuen (12-3) and Chelmsford (4-3), with a 14-3 romp over Lawrence sandwiched in between, brought the locals back to the pack with everyone else in the tightly-bunched division.

Those results left coach Ken Magliola's crew at 8-4 overall and 6-3 in MVC 1.

Entering yesterday's play, after *Townsmen* presstime, Andover, Methuen (7-4), Chelmsford (6-4) and Central Catholic (5-4) were only one game apart in MVC 1.

Schedule

AHS played under the lights at Lowell (5-7) last night, and this afternoon (Thursday) surprising MVC 2 leader Haverhill.

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Arts & Entertainment

EVENTS CALENDAR

Thursday, May 13

Author appearance. local author Nancy Bailey Miller will read poetry from her new book, *Before the Dove Returns*, 7 p.m., free, Andover Bookstore, 89 Main St.; 978-475-0143.

Training sessions. Educational Surrogate Parent Program offers training sessions for concerned adults, 10 a.m.-1 p.m., free, Nevins Memorial Library, 305 Broadway, Methuen; 508-792-7679.

Movie. Northern Essex Community College's Life Long Learning classic movie matinee, featuring *High Society*, 2 p.m., \$1, Room 155 Building E on Haverhill campus; Carol Duhart 978-556-3825.

Music. Peter Prince and Moon Boot Lover, 8 p.m., \$8, Capo's, 98 Middle St., Lowell; 978-453-5755.

Friday, May 14

ClownTown, sponsored by the Andona Society, featuring carnival rides, games, food, booth serving coffee and Krispy Kreme doughnuts, 6-10 p.m., rain or shine, at the Park, Bartlet and Chestnut streets, for more information or to volunteer (ages 12 and older), call Jennifer Healy 978-474-0129.

Chamber music. Phillips Academy Music Department presents a chamber music concert comprised of students in Chamber Music Performance Seminar, including Beethoven's *String Quartet in A minor* and Mendelssohn's *Octet in E Flat*, 8:30 p.m., free, Graves Hall, 180 Main St.; 978-749-4995.

Chamber music. Phillips Academy Music Department presents the Academy Concert band and ensembles under the direction of Vincent Monaco, 7 p.m., free, Cochran Chapel, 180 Main St.; 978-749-4995.

Beatlejuice. Boston's most popular Beatles cover band appears as part of the 2004 Performing Arts Series, 7:30 p.m., \$17, Route 110, Amesbury Middle School, 220 Main St., Amesbury; MKTix.com for tickets.

Organ concert. Maifest (Celebration of Spring) at the Methuen Memorial Music Hall, 8 p.m., \$20, Methuen Memorial Hall Library, 192 Broadway, Methuen; 978-452-4686.

Comedy. Dick Doherty Comedy Productions presents Rich Ceisler, Danny Kelly; 9:30 p.m., \$12, China Blossom, Routes 125 and 133, North Andover; 781-938-8088.



Ellis Paul

Music. Ellis Paul in concert, 7 p.m. and 10 p.m., \$18, Capo's, 98 Middle St., Lowell; 978-453-5755.

Artists reception. Lassonde Juried Show, at Robert Lincoln Levy Gallery, 5-9 p.m., free, 136 State St., Portsmouth; 603-431-4230.

Play. Georgetown Theater Workshop presents Agatha Christie's *The Unexpected Guest*, 8 p.m., \$10, 22 Pleasant St., Georgetown; Sue 978-352-6367.

Saturday, May 15

ClownTown, sponsored by the Andona Society, featuring carnival rides, games, face painting, sand art, food, raffles, Candyland, white elephant table and special demonstrations (including performances by Boston Sports Club, Gold's Gym, Champion Factory, Confetti Kids, and Andover Fitness and Conditioning Center), 9:30 a.m. to

4:30 p.m. See May 14 entry.

Recital. Phillips Academy Music Department presents a senior recital featuring Amanda Senatore, 7 p.m., free, Graves Hall, 180 Main St.; 978-749-4995.

Labyrinth. SouthWinds at South Church will offer a labyrinth worship, an ancient Christian meditative experience, with the Rev. Kathy Musser, 5 p.m., free, 41 Central St.; 978-475-0321.

Music. the Spring Jazz Series at Ipswich Bay Bar and Grill, featuring Barbara Boudreau on vocals, 2 p.m., call for price, the Caravan Club, 1380 North Shore Road, Revere; 781-284-9599.



Jess Klein

Music. folk rock singer and songwriter Jess Klein appears at New Moon CoffeeHouse, 8 p.m., \$15, Universalist Unitarian Church, junction of Routes 110 and 125, Haverhill; 978-373-9259.

Plant sale. the annual spring plant sale at the Stevens-Coolidge Place, featuring an unusual collection of choice perennials, 10 a.m.-2 p.m., free admission, 139 Andover St., North Andover; 978-475-8658.

Celebrate Lowell's National Tourism Week and Museums In Motion! - a 12-hour museum marathon begins at noon and runs through seven museums (noon: the Boot Cotton Mills; 1 p.m.: the New England Quilt Museum; 2 p.m.: the Revolving Museum; 3 p.m.: the National Streetcar Museum; 4 p.m.: the Brush Art Gallery & Studios; 5 p.m.: the Whistler House Museum of Art; 6-8 p.m.: dinner time - choose from Lowell restaurants such as La Boniche, Ricardo's Café Trattoria, Cobblestones, and Café Paradiso); ending at the American Textile History Museum with a big dance party from 8 p.m. to midnight: singles and couples, young and old, can boogie the night away to the sounds of the Porch Rockers (original tunes and classics from blues and swing to down-home country); free parking, light refreshments available; Museum Marathon admittance buttons \$5 for adults, free for seniors, children ages 16 and younger, button opens the door to all seven Lowell museums participating in Museums in Motion!; American Textile History Museum, 491 Dutton St., Lowell; 978-441-0400 www.athm.org.

Concert. Newburyport Choral Society spring concerts, featuring opera choruses and soloists accompanied by professional orchestra, 8 p.m., \$20, Newburyport High School Auditorium, High Street, Newburyport; 978-462-0650.

Swim lessons. YMCA youth swim lessons offered at Greater Lowell Vocational school, call for time and price, 35 YMCA Drive, Lowell; to register, call Mona Bratton 978-649-7521.

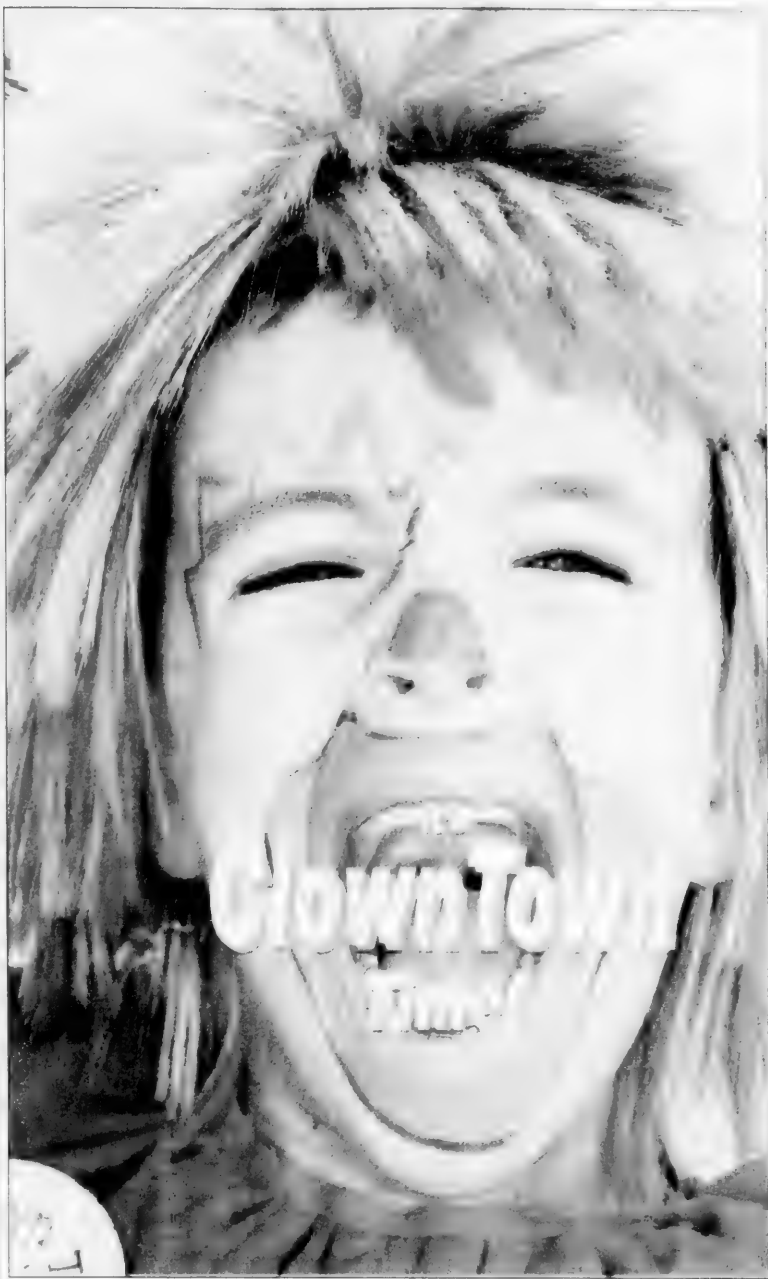
Play. Agatha Christie's *The Unexpected Guest*, 8 p.m., \$20 (includes dinner), See Friday, May 14 entry.

Music. Cliff Eberhardt, 7 p.m., \$13, Capo's, 98 Middle St., Lowell; 978-453-5755.

Sunday, May 16

Mozart concert. Andover Choral Society presents a Mozart concert, featuring a quartet of professional soloists and a full orchestra accompanying the singers, under the direction of music director Allen

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Nicholas Graham, 6, makes the announcement that lots of Andover kids have been waiting for.

Andona's carnival starts Friday at 6

THE ANDONA SOCIETY WILL HOLD its annual ClownTown carnival event this Friday night, May 14 from 6 to 10, and Saturday, May 15, from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., in the park at the corner of Bartlet and Chestnut streets.

The event will be held rain or shine, organizers said.

As always, ClownTown will offer carnival rides, games with prizes, face-painting and Andona's Candyland, and a booth serving coffee and Krispy Kreme doughnuts.

ClownTown also offers a number of food choices, including hamburgers, hot dogs, pizza, ice cream and slush, to name a few.

A number of special attractions and scheduled appearances include demonstrations and performances by Boston Sports Club, Gold's Gym, Champion Factory, Confetti Kids and Andover Fitness and Conditioning Center.

All proceeds will be used to benefit Andover's youth in a wide variety of civic, educational, athletic and cultural programs and activities.

Last year, ClownTown raised more than \$30,000 to fund these Andover youth programs. Volunteers are always welcome and needed, ages 12 and older. Call Jennifer Healy at 978-474-0129.

This year's ClownTown chairwomen are Nancy Daniels, Amy Aycock, Traci Bodette, Silvia Englert, Patty Garcia and Debbie Goldstein.

Information on Andona membership will be available at the ClownTown membership table, or by calling Joanne Heim at 978-975-1193.

Great Red, White and Blue Way

West Middle students serve up patriotism, Broadway fun

By Ben Hellman

Perhaps it was the two-year anniversary of September 11 that influenced her. West Middle School teacher Kay Levesque said she was feeling patriotic that day in September and decided to choose *All Aboard for Broadway* as West Middle School's annual performance.

The show takes place during World War I and weaves such songs as *Yankee Doodle Boy*, *You're a Grand Old Flag*, and *Give My Regards to Broadway* into a colorful story about Broadway hopefuls.

"This is one that everybody is going to recognize at least one song from," said Levesque.

Families have loaned flags, banners and other red, white and blue materials to the show - with promises they would be returned for Memorial Day, said Levesque. "It was a bonus that it was patriotic and it was going on before Memorial Day," she said.

Students are working long hours to bring the show to the West Middle School stage. They rehearsed Monday through Friday from 2 to 7 p.m. this week to prepare for the production, and put in a nine-hour rehearsal last Friday, ending at 11 p.m. Levesque said students in the performance form study groups and help each other with homework, and some teachers have dropped by to give study help to the students.

The students don't seem to

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Getting ready for *All Aboard for Broadway* are, from left, are Jessica Gordon, her sister Lauren Gordon, Victoria Lee, John Cran, Sarah Christ, Padikuor Akufu, Allison Alwan and Emma Haver; top row: Sam Dempsey and Mike Parker.

On the set of Luigi's Restaurant (below, at left table) are Katie Fionte, Jessica Poe, Katelyn Greeley, Chelsea Girard and Katia Chapman; in the middle, Catherine Loosigian; (at right table) Jillian Mandell, Michelle Calabro, Caroline Lyle and Rebecca Spires.



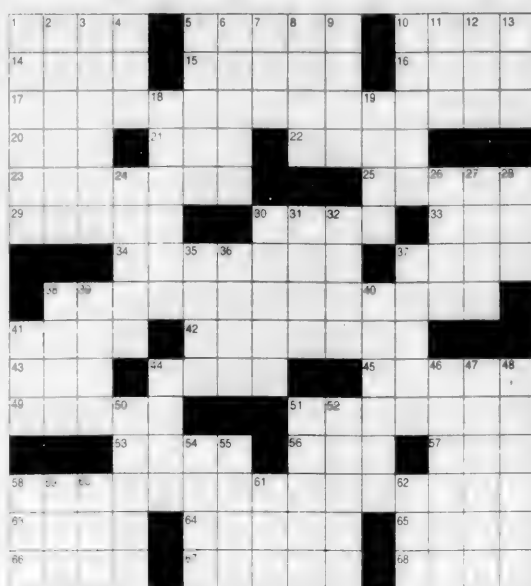
The Porch Rockers, a Boston-area band that delivers blues, country and roots music, is a quartet comprised of (from left) drummer Wilson Brown, guitarist Joe Giardella, singer/harp player Tim Garland and bassist Dirk van Gulden. They will be featured Saturday, May 15 at the Museums in Motion! Dance Party at the American Textile History Museum, from 8 p.m. to midnight.

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CLUES ACROSS

1. ___ and Andy, TV show
5. Belongs to sun god
10. Large burrowing rodent of S and C America
14. NSC head
15. ___ and Juliet
16. Afresh
17. Thoroughbred breeding country
20. Lubricate
21. US, Latin America, Canada belong to
22. Arid
23. Printout
25. Mounts
29. Koran chapters
30. Socks
33. Thai
34. Communication
37. Folk singers, Leon and Eric
38. Florida, with "The"
41. Rabbit and cauliflower
42. Refers to magma
43. Large African antelope
44. ___ Christian Anderson, children's author
45. Ousted despot
49. "Beau ___," 1939 Gary Cooper film
51. Subjugate
53. Sanskrit language
56. A very large body of water
57. ___ tie and bustle
58. Ancient
63. Small European freshwater fish



64. Faked
65. Six
66. Telegraphic signal
67. Smells
68. Used to have (Scottish)

CLUES DOWN

1. Supports climbing plants
2. Environment

3. About visual sense
4. Look at
5. Claudio ___, Chilean pianist
6. Brown by heat
7. Type of RAM
8. "Untouchable"
9. An open skin infection
10. Beeps wherever you are
11. Black tropical cuckoo

12. Corporate exec
13. Slender bristlike appendage found on grasses
18. Pinches
19. Geological times
24. Curses
26. Mine shaft
27. Bambino
28. A person's brother or sister
30. A public announcement (in church) of a proposed marriage
31. Double curve
32. Monetary unit in Mexico
35. Islam
36. Signal
37. Primary (vs secondary)
38. Mentally healthy
39. Extinct European wild ox
40. Oriental moth that produces brownish silk
41. Encourage
44. A group of sheep
46. Many-petaled flower
47. Tear away
48. In a way, brought into disorder
50. Bulrushes
51. Town in Surrey, Eng
52. Motivations
54. Pedestal part
55. Manipulated
58. Determine the sum of
59. ___ Paulo, city
60. Mo.
61. Referee declares
62. Suffix, similar

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EVENTS CALENDAR

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Combs, 4 p.m., \$15, First-Calvary Baptist Church, North Andover; 978-687-8225.

Artist reception. North Shore Art Association opens for its 83rd year with an artist reception for Exhibition #1. 2-4 p.m., free, 197-R East Main St., Gloucester; 978-283-1857.

Lecture. the Rose and David Shack Lectureship presents Rabbi Harold Kushner, author of *When Bad Things Happen to Good People*, 11 a.m., free, 7 Haggetts Pond; 978-470-1356.

Concert. Phillips Academy Music Department presents a spring concert featuring the oldest musical organization on Andover Hill, the Fidelio Society, 4 p.m., free, Cochran Chapel, 180 Main St.; 978-749-4995.

Music. Jeff Back and Chuck Hall, 7 p.m., \$10, Capo's, 98 Middle St., Lowell; 978-453-5755.

Concert. 2:30 p.m., \$20. See Saturday, May 15 entry.

Monday, May 17

Lecture. Temple Emanuel will host Ilan Segev, of the consulate of Israel to New England, 5:30 p.m., free, 7 Haggetts Pond Road; 978-470-1356.

Tuesday, May 18

Talk. Northeast Chapter of the Mass. Archeological Society presents the president of Archlink, Dr. James W. Bradley, speaking on *The Carns Site: A new view of the ceramic period on Cape Cod*, 7:30 p.m., free, Peabody Museum, corner of Main and Phillips streets; 978-749-4490.

Lecture. sponsored by the Embroiderers' Guild of America, a lecture on judging various forms of needlework, 7 p.m., free, Tewksbury Congregational Church, Main and East streets, Tewksbury; Rosemary Carter 781-665-4118.

Wednesday, May 19

Music. The Folken Word Open mic with Katrin, 8 p.m., free, Capo's, 98 Middle St., Lowell; 978-453-5755.

Concert. North Shore Music Theater presents Linda Eder and Mary Chapin Carpenter for a two-night engagement, 8 p.m., \$50, 62 Dunham Road, Beverly; 978-232-7200.

Thursday, May 20

Reading. Andover author Mary McGarry Morris will appear at the Andover Bookstore and read from her newest novel, *A Hole in the Universe*, 7 p.m., free, 89 Main St.; 978-475-0143.

Music. Life Long Learning program at Northern Essex Community College presents a concert featuring Broadway show tunes and movie musical standards, 2 p.m., \$1, conference area of college library, Haverhill; Carol Duhart 978-556-3832.

Music. Hot Day at the Zoo, 8 p.m., \$5, Capo's, 98 Middle St., Lowell; 978-453-5755.

Concert. 8 p.m. \$50. See Wednesday, May 19 entry.

Friday, May 21

Springfest. the Andover Youth Foundation invites the public to Springfest, hosted by Ann and Mike Sico of Andover, and featuring the sounds of *The Classics*, 7:30 p.m., \$25, Indian Ridge Country Club, Andover; 978-470-1515.

Recital. Phillips Academy Music Department presents a senior recital featuring violinist Arianna Warsaw-Fan, 6 p.m., free, Graves Hall, 180 Main St.; 978-749-4995.

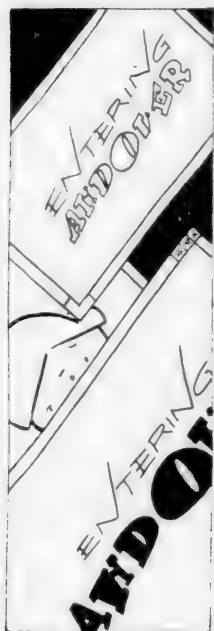
Comedy Night. Andover Senior Center will host a comedy night, featuring the antics of Mel Simons from WBZ-AM radio, 7 p.m., \$10; 978-623-8321.

Reception. New Paint preview reception, a unique and interactive fundraising experience, 5-7 p.m., free, Essex Arts Center, 56 Island

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Saturday, May 22

Dance. Merrimack Valley Jewish Federation's Women's Division is holding a rock-and-roll dance to thank the Jewish community and its supporters, 8 p.m., \$50, Old Town Hall, 20 Main St.; 978-688-0466.

Music. Phillips Academy Music Department presents Phillips Academy Chamber Music Society comprised of faculty and students, 6 p.m., free, Timken Room at Graves Hall, 180 Main St.; 978-749-4995.

Yoga. a free day of yoga classes and complimentary healing therapies, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., free, 1348 Main St., Tewksbury; 978-851-9911.

Workshop. North Reading artist Ilse Schenk, will lead a workshop on creating mandalas, 1-4 p.m., free, 147 Park St., North Reading; 978-664-4942.

Auction. Fisk Fun Night Auction, 7 p.m., \$10, Derry/Salem Elks Lodge, Salem, N.H.; Dianne Paquette 603-898-2192

Sunday, May 23

Arts Fair. Hot Type and Cool

Books: A printing arts fair at The Museum of Printing History brings book arts printers and artisans to the North Andover Sheep Shearing Festival, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., free, North Andover Town Common; 978-686-0450.

Concert. New England Classical Singers presents America Singers!, featuring music from the 18th through the 20th centuries and an

audience sing-along, 8 p.m., \$15, Rogers Center for the Arts; 978-837-5355.

Lecture. Temple Emanuel will host an important and educational program on teen violence, 10:30 a.m.-noon, free, 7 Haggetts Pond Road; 978-470-1356.

Ongoing

Art Exhibitions

Addison Gallery of American Art. *The Art of David Ireland: The Way Things Are*, through July 18; and *Art, Artists, and the Addison: Building a Collection*, through July 31; gallery hours Tuesday-Saturday 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Sunday 1-5 p.m., Addison Gallery of American Art, Phillips Academy; 978-749-4015 www.addisongallery.org.

Alpers Fine Art of Andover. one-man show by Andy Newman (new and recent paintings), through June 6; gallery hours: Wednesday and Thursdays 11 a.m.-8 p.m., Saturday 10 a.m.-10 p.m., Sunday 10 a.m.-4 p.m., 2 Main St.; 978-470-0013

Andover Historical Society. tour the Amos Blanchard House and Barn Museum for a glimpse into life in the early 19th century, Tuesday through Friday 1-4 p.m., \$5 admission, students \$3, 97 Main St.; 978-475-2236, www.andhist.org

Robert S. Peabody Museum of Archaeology. *Objects and their Meanings: Historical Highlights of the Peabody*, displays ethnographic objects from the museum's collections of North and South America and a series of photographs that illustrate the activities of the museum's key people during the last century; Tuesday through Saturday,



The Greater Lawrence Educational Collaborative Multicultural Enrichment and Lawrence Heritage State Park present the 17th annual 2004 Collaborative Visual Arts Awards Exhibit, at Lawrence Heritage State Park Visitors' Center Gallery through Saturday, May 15, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. "Outstanding Achievement in the Visual Arts" awards were presented to the following Andover High students: (from left) Sriram Ramgopal, Paul McLaughlin, Margaret Putnam, and Alice Yuan, with art teacher Erin McCann. Receiving awards but not pictured are Jason Edelstein and Alexander Checkanov. In addition to McCann, Andover High School art teachers taking part in the project include Teresa Consentino, Dolores Dunning, James Batchelder, Kathy Cook and Jonathan Wachs.

noon-5 p.m., by appointment only, free admission, Phillips Academy campus, 175 Main St.; 978-475-4490.

Essex Art Center. in the Main Gallery through May 14: *Foundry Show 2004*, featuring work in a variety of mediums by more than 30 of the artists/teachers at the center; Elizabeth A. Beland Gallery, through June 11: *in an Instant - Giclee prints by Toru Nakamura* and silver gelatin prints by Darren Perocchi; reception and galleries are free and open to the public; Tuesday-Thursday, 10 a.m.-7:30 p.m., Friday 10 a.m.-5:30 p.m., Essex Art Center, 56 Island St., Lawrence; 978-685-2343, www.essexartcenter.com

Robert Lehman Art Center at Brooks School. *Nostalgic Journey.* American illustrations from the collection of the Delaware Art Museum, through June 13; gallery hours Tuesday-Friday 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m., Saturday, 8:30 a.m.-noon, Sunday, 2:30-5 p.m., 1160 Great Pond Road, North Andover; 978-725-6232.

Arthur Griffin Center for Photographic Art. Main Gallery: rare photographs from the Civil War, includes eight new images, through June 25; Emerging Artists Gallery "short stories," unique perspectives on the ordinary by Concord-based photographer Robert Hannan, through June 11; Tuesday-Sunday, noon to 4 p.m., \$5 admission, Thursday admission is free all day, 67 Shore Road, Winchester; 781-729-1158, www.griffinmuseum.org.

Whistler House Museum of Art. Wednesday-Saturday, 11 a.m.-5 p.m., \$4, 243 Worthen St., Lowell; 978-452-7641

Memorial Hall Library. *Artists of the Month for March is Gustav Klimt* who works mainly in watercolor and pencil, Monday-Saturday, 9 a.m.-9 p.m., Sunday, noon-5 p.m.; 978-623-8400, www.nhlib.org

McCoy Gallery. Merrimack College, hours Monday-Friday, 9 a.m.-4 p.m., free admission; 978-837-5000 Ext. 4205.

Sakowich Campus Center. at Merrimack College, the Fireside and First floor lounges, call for hours 978-837-5000, Ext. 4205

McQuade Gallery. gallery hours Monday through Thursday, 9:30 a.m.-11 p.m., Friday, 7:30 a.m.-6 p.m., Saturday, 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m., Sunday, 11 a.m.-11 p.m.; 978-837-5000, Ext. 4205

Senior Center artists. talented artists participate in art classes and enjoy the "drop-in group" on Wednesday and Thursday mornings, art display of oils, watercolors, pencil, pen and ink, pastels and oriental brush art is in the Music Room; Andover Senior Center, Whittier Court; 978-623-8321.

Montserrat College of Art Gallery. Monday-Thursday, 11 a.m.-7 p.m., Friday, 11 a.m.-5 p.m.; Saturday, noon-4 p.m., 23 Essex St., Beverly; 978-921-4242.

Flint Memorial Library. 147 Park St., North Reading; 978-664-4942.

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OVERNIGHT & DAY PROGRAMS

Ages 5-17 	Merrimack College N. Andover, MA Co-ed / July 18-23 Girls Week, July 25-30 Dana Hall School Wellesley, MA Co-ed / August 1-6 Girls Team Week, Aug. 8-13 1-800-998-7622 or johnsmithsoccer.com	Girls Lacrosse Camp July 18-23 Girls Field Hockey Camp July 25-28 Dana Hall School Wellesley, MA (grades 5-12)
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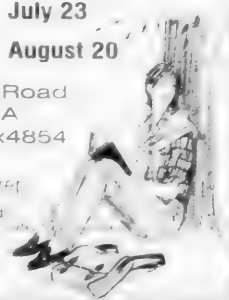
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LITERARY NOTES

Approximately 200 diplomats, religious leaders, and scholars gathered at Georgetown University in Washington on May 4 for a public forum that launched a book about forgiveness and global violence co-authored by Andover writer **William Bole**.

The book, *Forgiveness in International Politics: An Alternative Road to Peace*, looks at how acts and gestures of forgiveness have helped heal political wounds in fractious societies like South Africa, Northern Ireland, and the former Yugoslavia.

Public acknowledgments of political wrongs and gestures of forbearance from revenge have helped usher in a "politics of forgiveness," says Bole and his co-authors, international ethicist **Drew Christiansen** and career US diplomat **Robert Hen-nemeyer**.

All three authors are fellows of the Woodstock Theological Center, an ethics research and education group at Georgetown, which produced the book in cooperation with the US Conference of Catholic Bishops.

Bole, a journalist who lives at 4 Argyle St. and is a parishioner of St. Augustine Church, is now at work on a book about the role of the Catholic Church in American politics, after the pedophilia scandals.

Children's book author **Tabatha Jean D'Agata** will be at Buck-A-Book, 209 N. Main St., Shawsheen Plaza, next Saturday, May 22 from 1 to 3 p.m. D'Agata will engage the children in an interactive story-planning session and book reading. Children will receive keepsake items from her treasure chest, and take home activity sheets. D'Agata will also be signing her newest children's book, *Marvin Monster's Big Date*, an early reader chapter book.

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www.flintmemoriallibrary.org.

Churchill Gallery, Monday-Saturday, 10 a.m.-5:30 p.m., Sunday, 12:30-5:30 p.m., 6 Inn St., Newburyport, 978-462-9891.

The State of the Art Gallery and Sculpture Garden, Rocky Neck Art Colony, Gloucester; 978-463-8883.

Cape Ann Historical Museum, Tuesday through Saturday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., 27 Pleasant St., Gloucester; 978-283-0455.

The Saltbox Gallery, Spring Promise, featuring new artwork by members; cooperative of 17 artists from the North Shore; Monday through Saturday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.; 49 Main St., Topsfield; 978-887-3844.

J. David Broudo Gallery of Art, Monday-Friday, 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Endicott College, 376 Hale St. (Route 127) Beverly; 978-232-2250.

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explore issues like pollution control and spirituality through nature, artist-driven museum, dedicated to presenting public art, exhibitions, educational programs, gallery hours: Tuesday-Saturday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.; Sunday, noon-4 p.m., 22 Shattuck St., Lowell; 978-937-2787.

Laura Coombs Hills Gallery, Monday-Saturday, 11 a.m.-5 p.m., Sunday, noon-5 p.m., 60 Water St., Newburyport; 978-465-8769, www.newburyportart.org.

Mingo Gallery, Tuesday-Friday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Saturday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., 252 Cabot St., Beverly 978-927-5964.

Nevins Memorial Hall, 305 Broadway, Methuen; 978-686-4080.

Arlington Center for the Arts, Monday-Friday, 9 a.m.-6 p.m., 41 Foster St., Arlington.

Robert Lincoln Levy Gallery, Wednesday-Saturday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Sunday, noon-4 p.m., 136 State St., Portsmouth, N.H., 603-431-4230.

Gelb Gallery at Phillips Academy, Monday-Friday, 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Sat-

urday, Sunday, noon-4 p.m.; 978-475-4419.

Bravos Arts Gallery, Thursday, Friday, Saturday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., One East Main St., Georgetown; 978-352-8102.

Ayer Lofts Art Gallery, a cooperative artist space in Lowell, Thursdays, 6-8 p.m., Saturday, Sunday, 1-4 p.m., 172 Middle St., Lowell; 978-970-3556 info@ayerlofts.com.

River Gallery, Thursday through Sunday, 11 a.m.-5 p.m., 4 Market St., Ipswich; 978-356-1559.

Ocmulgee Pottery & Fine Crafts, gallery hours Tuesday through Friday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Saturdays 10 a.m.-4 p.m., 26 Market St., Ipswich; 978-356-1298.

Crescent Dragon Gallery, 59 Washington St., Haverhill; www.galleryoni.homestead.com/1.html.

Walsingham Gallery, painter Dennis Perrin, gallery hours: Monday-Wednesday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Thursday-Saturday, 10 a.m.-6 p.m., Sunday, noon-5 p.m., 47 Merrimac St., Newburyport; 978-499-4411

www.thewalsinghamgallery.com.

Newburyport Art Association, Heidi S.D. Jackson in an exhibition entitled *Garden Portraits; Wicked Good Art*, sculpture and photos by Mark Brophy and Jane von Bosse; 65 Water St., Newburyport; 978-465-8769.

North Shore Arts Association of Gloucester, featuring sculptures, paintings, Pirate's Lane, Gloucester; 978-283-1857.

Erich Gallery, gallery hours Tuesday through Saturdays, 10:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m.; Sunday, noon-5 p.m., 96 Washington St., Marblehead; 781-631-1202.

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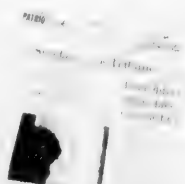


Townsbury has cleared the way for a regional mall alongside I-93. Now, an interchange off the highway must be completed to control traffic flow. Officials have said that the cost of the interchange should be borne by state and federal sources, but first the developers will turn to the Merrimack Valley Economic Development Council to find the best ways to make it happen. In BizNorth.

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dy, through May 23, call for times and prices. Amesbury Playhouse, 194 Main St., Amesbury; 978-388-9444.

Lizzie Borden, featuring Broadway actress Jayne Paterson, through May 30, call for times, \$32, Stoneham Theater, 395 Main St., Stoneham; 781-279-2200.

Museums and Historic Homes

Andover Historical Society, tour the Amos Blanchard House and Barn Museum for a glimpse into life in the early 19th century; Tuesday through Friday 1-4 p.m. \$5 admission, students \$3, 97 Main St.; 978-475-2236, www.andhist.org.

Museum of Printing, 800 Massachusetts Ave., North Andover, featuring antique printing equipment, \$5 admission, Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.; Friday, 1-8 p.m.; Saturday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.; Sunday, 1-5 p.m.; 978-686-0450 or www.museumofprinting.org.

North Andover Historical Society, 153 Academy Road, North Andover, maintains two sites that feature museum galleries: 1789 Johnson Cottage, an artisan's home and workshop, and 1715 Parson Barnard House, depicting life from 1715-1830, 179 Osgood St., changing exhibits highlight local life from the 17th- to the 20th century, library and archive, \$3 adults, \$1 children, \$2 seniors, Johnson Cottage, tours Tuesday-Friday 10 a.m.-noon and 2-4 p.m., \$5 adults for a combined tour of both properties; 978-686-4035.

American Textile History Museum, *Let's Go Hawaiian* exhibition is a fanciful exploration of the fas-

cination with Hawaii, its influence on mainstream culture, and a playful look at the cult of the Hawaiian shirt; more than 125 classic and contemporary shirts, most originating from the collection of Gary Moss, picture Hawaii's history, the beauty of its landscape, its popular culture, and lure as a tourist resort; exhibit runs through Sunday, June 20; ATHM, 491 Dutton St., Lowell; museum hours are Tuesday through Friday 9 a.m.-4 p.m.; Saturday, Sunday, and most holidays 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., closed July 4; admission \$6 for adults; \$4 for students, seniors, and groups; free for children under 6 and museum members, parking is free, and the building is wheelchair accessible; 978-441-0400 or www.athm.org.

Boott Cotton Mills Museum, Monday-Friday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., 400 Foot of John St., Lowell.

New England Quilt Museum, Tuesday-Saturday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Sunday, noon-4 p.m., 18 Shattuck St., Lowell; 978-452-4207.

Lawrence Heritage State Park, open daily, 9 a.m.-4 p.m., 1 Jackson St., Lawrence; 794-1655.

Wenham Museum, \$5 adults, \$3 children ages 2 and up, 132 Main St., Wenham; 978-468-2377.

Custom House Maritime Museum, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Thursday and Sunday, 1-4 p.m., 25 Water St., Newburyport; its Lowell Boat Shop, 459 Main St., Amesbury, Wednesday-Sunday; 978-388-0162.

Peabody Essex Museum, Havanma: Photographs by Robert Polidori, featuring 18 of the artist's large-scale images, from May 22 through Jan. 9, Monday-Saturday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Sunday, noon-5 p.m., \$12 adults, \$10 seniors \$8, students;



PHOTO BY TIM JEAN

Preparing for the West Middle School play, **All Aboard for Broadway**, are (front) Aaron Yang; (next row, from left) Eli Grober, Andrea Leahy, Zach Zafet and Nortje Groosman; (back row) Oliver Yang, Jessica Poe, Kasey Quinlan, Natalie Gaimari and Hans Bardenhauer.

All Aboard at WMS

BROADWAY PATRIOTS

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mind all the work. "I look forward to it every day after school," said Andrea Leahy, 13, a seventh-grader who is playing the conniving songstress, Billie.

"It's very intense definitely. (It's) a learning process. You meet all these people. It's very fun," said Hans Bardenhauer, 13, an eighth-grader who plays theater impresario Flo Zweibach.

"It's a lot of work, but it's worth it," said Hallie Hauer, 14, an eighth-grader and one of the loanshark Delaney Sisters, along with Sarah Keller, 13, a seventh-grade actress.

"I personally really like it. It's a big commitment," said Michael Parker, 13, an eighth-grader. Parker plays Harry Hargan, a songwriter who makes it big, but first must enlist in the US Army to avoid the loanshark sisters.

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Business

Building a community almost from scratch

Andover architect at center of building Devens, community at site of closed Fort Devens

Joseph LaGrasse, founder and principal of Joseph D. LaGrasse & Associates in Andover is constructing the first phase of development at Devens Common, the heart of a new community being developed at the former Fort Devens army base in Central Massachusetts.

Fort Devens was closed in 1996 under the Base Realignment and Closing Act. The community of Devens has been created as a result of a partnership between the federal government, MassDevelopment and the Devens Enterprise Commission. Devens Common is a 26-acre site that will become the central business district for the new community. Devens Development LLC won the contract to develop the site.

Devens Common will add more than 275,000 square feet of commercial space to the Devens

area. The first phase of construction will include a three story 120-suite hotel to be occupied by Marriott's SpringHill Suites Hotel; a 500-seat conference center and function hall; a 20,000 square foot office building that will serve as the new headquarters for MassDevelopment; 34,000 square feet of new retail space; a 5,000 square foot restaurant; and a two-bay, touch-free car wash and gas station, according to a release.

Architect Joseph LaGrasse partnered with developer Robert Walker of Devens Development to design the conceptual master plan for the new business district.

"Historic preservation and sustainable growth are critical elements for Devens Commons. We designed the site plan and buildings to look like a historic town center, complete with a large open space with walking paths and leisure activities in the center," said LaGrasse. "We worked with landscape architects... and engineers... to incorporate principles of sustainable growth in the project. For example, Devens Commons will include a rainwater collection and irrigation system, which minimizes the costs of providing services and conserves resources."

He expects construction on the Commons' first

phase to be completed by January 2005.

"It is not often you see the birth of a town center," stated Robert Walker, president of Devens Development. "As we begin construction, we are developing more than just a commercial center. We are developing the heart of a new community. This project will generate economic activity and growth in the surrounding communities as much as it serves the growing population of Devens."

Joseph D. LaGrasse & Associates is an architecture, planning and engineering firm located in Andover. Established in 1982, it has focused on residential, religious, commercial and industrial projects ranging from neighborhood shopping centers, office building complexes, industrial facilities, churches and multi-family neighborhood developments.

BRIEFS

Marshall joins VNA board

VNA of Middlesex-East & Visiting Nurse Hospice has announced that Karen E. Marshall has been elected to its board of directors. Marshall, an active community volunteer, also serves on the board of Friends of Northern Essex Community College and on the Community Advisory Panel for the Rogers Center for the Arts. She is a former board member of Friends of Andover Youth and Friends of Merrimack College, and has also volunteered for the Andover public schools and Andover Garden Club.

Marshall and her husband, John, have three grown sons and have lived in Andover for 26 years. John Marshall is president and owner of dataCon Inc., an electronic sub-contract assembly business based in Burlington.

VNA of Middlesex-East & Visiting Nurse Hospice provides home health and hospice care to 28 Greater Boston communities, including Andover. The agency recently opened a nine-bed hospice house in Reading.

Labor law and eggs

The Merrimack Valley Chamber of Commerce and co-sponsor American Express Financial Advisors will present Annual Labor Law Update Benefits on Thursday, May 20 from 8:15 a.m. to noon at the Wyndham Hotel, 123 Old River Road, Andover. A full breakfast is included. The cost is \$30 for members and \$35 for non-members.

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Prudential Howe & Doherty Realtors announced their top producing agents for the most recent quarter—Pam Lebowitz, Amy Sebell, and Kathy Cyrier. This recognition acknowledges residential sales professionals whose gross commission income ranked highest among Prudential Howe & Doherty's 70 sales associates. The Prudential Real Estate Affiliates Inc., is a company of Prudential Financial.

"Pam, Amy and Kathy have done a tremendous job of providing superior customer service and timely real estate advice to their clients," said Doug Howe, Broker/Owner of Prudential Howe & Doherty. "We are extremely proud of their ability to provide the most efficient home buying and selling experience possible."

Manor hosts week-long event

Academy Manor Nursing Home of Andover is promoting "Caring is a Work of Heart" during National Nursing Home Week, this week, May 9 to 14. Sponsored by the American Health Care Association, this week spotlights the role nursing facilities play in delivering care to seniors and disabled Americans. 1.5 million of whom reside in nursing facilities.

Academy Manor planned a theme week entitled "A Magical Mystery Tour." Other events include a southern hospitality tea, a Disney day and a comical lip sync of the *Ed Sullivan Show*. Those who would like to join in, or come for a visit and a tour, should contact Academy Manor at 978-475-0944.

Wine for cancer research

Shawsheen Liquors couple toasting a good cause

By Andrea Gregory

Breast cancer awareness month might be in October, but that is not stopping Shawsheen Village Liquors from pouring contributions into the cause year round.

Walking through the Poor Street doors, one of the first things customers are likely to spot is a small display for Big Tattoo Red.

The red wine is a combination of cabernet sauvignon, syrah and merlot. The back of the bottle tells a story of how the two brothers use the wine to pay tribute to their mother. Erik and Alex Bartholomaeus lost their mother to a battle with cancer. Alex Bartholomaeus is the president of Billington Imports and responsible for the content inside the bottle. Erik Bartholomaeus, a tattoo artist, designed the label. They are known as 2 Bothers Winery, and have been donating a portion of Big Tattoo Red sales to cancer research and hospice care since the wine hit the shelves in 2001. Shawsheen Village Liquors began stocking Big Tattoo Red last year.

Next to the regular bottles is a large three-liter bottle with a pink ribbon, a symbol typically associated with breast cancer awareness. Oversized bottles of Big Tattoo Red are auctioned off at the store four times per year.

Store co-owner Sheri Ben said breast cancer runs in her family and supporting cancer research and care was something she felt strongly about. Although she has been lucky enough not to have been touched directly by the disease, she has seen three of her aunts go through it. Two of her aunts died of cancer. The third is



Michael Helman and Sheri Ben, owners of Shawsheen Village Liquors, will donate \$1 from each bottle of Big Tattoo Red wine sold to help the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation.

currently in remission, and Ben is keeping her fingers crossed that her 80-year-old aunt remains cancer-free.

It was around the time when an aunt was diagnosed that the store began matching the donations. The store puts up its own \$1 donation to the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation for every bottle sold. Ben said she had never really thought about the direct correlation. But regardless, she wanted to help support efforts for cancer research and treatment. To date,

the store has donated \$315.

"This was just another way on top of what we personally give," said Ben. "The wine is actually really good, which is the best part of it."

The store owners say they don't push the wine; their display is subtle for a reason. "We tasted it and we liked it. And the wine sold pretty well on its own accord," said her husband and business partner, Michael Helman. "I loved the wine, and I didn't know anything about the cause behind it."

Helman has 25 years in the wine industry to back up his recommendation. The couple started Shawsheen Village Liquors two years ago. Helman said he has tasted every wine the store carries. If it pleases his palate, it makes it onto the shelves. The two say they have been developing community roots in Andover. They try to know what customers will like through friendly conversation and can track purchases on a database to pull up the name of a previous purchase that appealed to a patron.

Rep. hopeful Marasco appointed to Commission on Status of Women

Maria Marasco of Andover is the most recent appointee to the Massachusetts Commission on the Status of Women. She will serve as a commissioner for three years as appointed by Gov. Mitt Romney.

"I am honored to serve the Commonwealth, to serve this administration, and to work with such an outstanding group of women committed to providing an effective voice for women's issues," said Marasco in a release.

Marasco is the director of marketing and development for non-profit Medical Diagnostic Healthcare Corp., which opened the first and only free-standing digital mammography center in Massachusetts to increase breast-cancer

awareness and screening and to provide wellness services for women and families. An attorney and North Andover business owner, Commissioner Marasco previously worked at Simmons College in Boston and served the Commonwealth as an attorney, dealing largely with unemployment, tax and pension matters. She is running for state representative against Barbara L'Italien.

In 1997, Marasco earned the Massachusetts Governor's Award for Excellence in Public Service, as team leader for the Regulation Reform Project. She also holds a juris doctor from Suffolk University Law School, a MBA from the Boston University Graduate School

of Management, and a bachelor's degree from Simmons College.

"The Commission is delighted that a woman of such diverse talent and experience joins our ranks. We look forward to the contributions she can make on behalf of the women of the Commonwealth," said Commission Chairwoman Marianne Fleckner.

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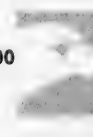
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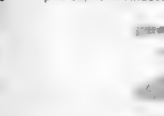
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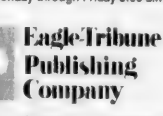
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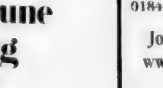
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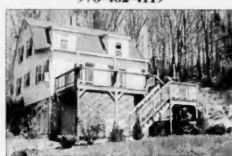
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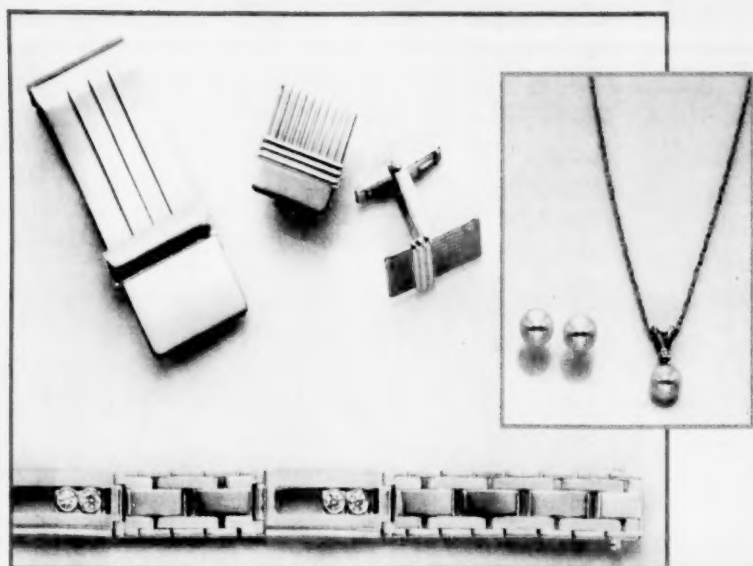
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